



2023-2024 LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE APPLICATION

(PLEASE PRINT)

FULL NAME: _____

BAR ID: _____

Counties to which you will travel to visit clients: _____

Lawyers who participate in the Lawyer Referral Service agree to charge no more than \$50 for an initial 30-minute consultation. You may elect to waive the initial consultation fee if that is your normal practice, but you are not required to do so.

Will you waive the initial \$50 for a 30-minute consultation fee? Yes [] No []

Do you provide legal services in any foreign language? Yes [] No []

If yes, please select language(s): Spanish [] Other [] _____

Special Opportunity to Assist Members of the U.S. Armed Forces

The Lawyer Referral Service will be providing assistance to active duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their spouses. Members of Lawyer Referral who would like to participate agree to give legal assistance at a 25% discount off their normal fee.

Will you participate in our Military Discount Program? (25% off) Yes [] No []

Rules and Procedures of the Lawyer Referral Service:

Membership Dues: Membership dues are \$100.00 per year, per attorney and the LRS fiscal year is October 1 – September 30. For this fee you may select up to ten areas of practice. Additional areas of practice are available for \$5 each. You may also select the counties in your geographical area from which you will accept referrals. You may only select counties to which you are willing to travel to meet a client, if necessary. This will keep the online referral clients who need a particular county from receiving a referral to an attorney located too far away. Individuals joining the service on April 1st or later will be charged \$50 for the remainder of the fiscal year and will need to renew in September in order to remain active after September 30th. Charges will not be further prorated. Please download the LRS brochure for further explanation of the LRS rules and procedure.

Insurance: You must maintain professional liability insurance to participate in the Lawyer Referral Service and you must provide the LRS with a current copy of your declaration page showing minimum coverage amounts of \$100,000/\$300,000 before receiving referrals.

Referral Fee: Attorneys who join Lawyer Referral Service agree to remit a referral fee 5% of any fee between \$1,000 and \$5,000 resulting from a referral. For example, if a case generates a \$6,000 fee, the attorney would remit \$250.00 (5% of \$5,000). No remittance is required on fees under \$1,000, or any portion of the fee over \$5,000. All referral fees remitted back to the program will be used for advertising and for upgrading and expanding the program.

I acknowledge that I understand and agree to the foregoing, and will remit 5% of the full collected fee after deduction of any expenses and disbursements. Yes [] (Failure to check this box will disqualify your application.)

Agreement—(1) I hereby apply for membership in the Alabama State Bar Lawyer Referral Service (LRS). I am licensed to practice law in Alabama, I am currently in good standing, and I am engaged in private practice within the state. I am covered by a professional liability insurance policy with limits of not less than \$100,000/\$300,000. (2) I understand this application is made only on my own behalf and not on behalf of my firm or any other lawyers employed there. Accordingly, I agree that the initial consultation will be with me personally, although other counsel may be associated to perform all or part of services agreed upon if the referred client agrees to such association. (3) In my opinion, I am qualified to handle cases in the areas of “practice preference” that I have designated on the following page. (4) I agree to abide by the rules of the LRS and to act within the spirit of its purposes. I agree to be bound by the following rules concerning fees: (a) A fee of no more than \$50, which may be waived, will be charged for the initial one-half hour consultation; and (b) should any dispute concerning fees arise between me and a client referred by the LRS, such dispute will be submitted to the governing board of the LRS and I agree to be bound by its determination. (5) I understand and accept the rules of remittance, agreeing to remit to the LRS five percent of all fees over \$1,000 resulting from a referral, not to exceed \$250. No remittance is required on fees under \$1,000.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

PLEASE MAIL THE COMPLETED AND SIGNED APPLICATION, PROOF OF CURRENT LIABILITY COVERAGE (\$100,000/\$300,000) AND LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$100 (CHECK OR MONEY ORDER MADE PAYABLE TO ALABAMA STATE BAR) TO: ALABAMA STATE BAR LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE, P.O. BOX 671, MONTGOMERY, AL 36101-0671. FOR ASSISTANCE PLEASE CONTACT THE ASB LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE AT 800-354-6154 OR EMAIL LRS@ALABAR.ORG.

PLEASE SELECT YOUR PRACTICE AREAS ON PAGE 2.



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FULL NAME:

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PLEASE SELECT UP TO 10 PRACTICE AREAS - ADDITIONAL AREAS MAY BE SELECTED AT A COST OF \$5 EACH

Table with 1 column and 8 rows under the heading 'ADMINISTRATIVE'. Rows include: IMMIGRATION LAW, MEDICAID, MEDICARE, PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE - LEGAL (CHARACTER & FITNESS / DISCIPLINE), PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE - MEDICAL, PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE - OTHER, SOCIAL SECURITY / SSI.

Table with 1 column and 7 rows under the heading 'BANKRUPTCY / DEBT COLLECTION'. Rows include: BANKRUPTCY - DEBTOR, COLLECTIONS - CREDITOR, COLLECTIONS - DEBTOR, CREDITOR HARASSMENT, BUSINESS / CORP / PARTNERSHIPS, BUSINESS LITIGATION, BUS. ORGANIZATION - FOR PROFIT, BUS. ORGANIZATION - NON-PROFIT, GENERAL BUSINESS - OTHER, SECURITIES LAW.

Table with 1 column and 4 rows under the heading 'COMMERCIAL / CONSUMER'. Rows include: BANKING, CONSUMER RIGHTS, IDENTITY THEFT, LEMON LAW.

Table with 1 column and 5 rows under the heading 'CONSTITUTIONAL LAW'. Rows include: CIVIL RIGHTS, DISCRIMINATION - HOUSING, DISCRIMINATION - OTHER, POLICE MISCONDUCT, PRISONERS RIGHTS.

Table with 1 column and 3 rows under the heading 'CONTRACTS'. Rows include: CONTRACT LITIGATION, DRAFTING / REVIEW CONTRACTS.

Table with 1 column and 10 rows under the heading 'CRIMINAL LAW'. Rows include: CRIMINAL APPEALS, DEFENSE - FELONY, DEFENSE - MISDEMEANOR, DUI / LICENSE SUSPENSION, EXPUNGEMENT, JUVENILE PROCEEDINGS, PAROLE BOARD, RULE 32, TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS.

Table with 1 column and 4 rows under the heading 'FAMILY LAW'. Rows include: ADOPTION, CHILD SUPPORT, CUSTODY / VISITATION, (CONTINUED NEXT COLUMN).

Table with 1 column and 8 rows under the heading 'FAMILY LAW, continued'. Rows include: COLLECTION OF PAST DUE SUPPORT, CONTEMPT OF COURT, DIVORCE - COLLABORATIVE, DIVORCE - CONTESTED, DIVORCE - UNCONTESTED, MODIFICATION - CUSTODY / SUPPORT, PATERNITY, RESTRAINING ORDER / PROTECTION FROM ABUSE, SAME SEX RELATIONSHIPS.

Table with 1 column and 6 rows under the heading 'INSURANCE'. Rows include: AUTO INSURANCE, FIRE INSURANCE, HEALTH INSURANCE, HOME INSURANCE, LIFE INSURANCE, SHORT / LONG TERM DISABILITY.

Table with 1 column and 8 rows under the heading 'INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY / ENTERTAINMENT / SPORTS'. Rows include: COPYRIGHT, DIGITAL MEDIA, FILM, TELEVISION & MUSIC, INTERNET & TECHNOLOGY, LITERARY PUBLISHING, PATENT, SPORTS, TRADE SECRETS, TRADEMARK.

Table with 1 column and 10 rows under the heading 'LABOR / EMPLOYMENT'. Rows include: CONTRACTS, WORKPLACE DISCRIMINATION, ERISA, FAMILY & MEDICAL LEAVE, WORKPLACE HARASSMENT, PENSION / RETIREMENT, WAGE & HOUR, WRONGFUL TERMINATION, WORKERS COMPENSATION - STATE, WORKERS COMPENSATION - FEDERAL, UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.

Table with 1 column and 7 rows under the heading 'MILITARY'. Rows include: DIVORCE - MILITARY, HEARINGS - MILITARY TRIBUNAL, PERSONNEL - RIGHTS OF, PERSONNEL & HEIRS, UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE, USERRA (UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT), VETERAN'S RIGHTS.

Table with 1 column and 5 rows under the heading 'PROBATE'. Rows include: COMMITMENT, ELDER LAW, GUARDIANSHIP / CONSERVATORSHIP, NAME CHANGE, PROBATE / ADMINISTRATION, WILLS / TRUSTS / ESTATE PLANNING.

Table with 1 column and 7 rows under the heading 'REAL PROPERTY'. Rows include: BOUNDARY DISPUTES, CONSTRUCTION DISPUTES, FORECLOSURE, GENERAL REAL ESTATE, HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, MORTGAGE LOAN MODIFICATION, RENTAL - LANDLORD, RENTAL - TENANT.

Table with 1 column and 2 rows under the heading 'TAXATION'. Rows include: TAX - INDIVIDUAL, TAX - BUSINESS / CORPORATE.

Table with 1 column and 10 rows under the heading 'TORT'. Rows include: ASBESTOS, AUTO ACCIDENTS, DEFAMATION / LIBEL / SLANDER, FRAUD / MISREPRESENTATION, MALPRACTICE - DENTAL, MALPRACTICE - LEGAL, MALPRACTICE - MEDICAL, NEGLIGENCE, PERSONAL INJURY, PRODUCT LIABILITY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, TOXIC TORTS, WRONGFUL DEATH.

Table with 1 column and 5 rows under the heading 'MISCELLANEOUS'. Rows include: CIVIL APPEALS, CIVIL LITIGATION / GENERAL, DISABILITIES DISCRIMINATION, EDUCATION LAW, HIPAA, MUNICIPAL LAW, SMALL CLAIMS.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

\$100 Membership Fee (\$50 after April 1, 2024):

Check#: _____

Additional Areas: _____

x \$5.00 each = _____

Date Paid: _____

Total Areas: _____

Total Due: _____