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LAWYER REFERRAL & INFORMATION SERVICE APPLICATION

Date Submitted: _____

Name: _____

State Bar #: _____

There are no changes from last year's application.

[Complete this section & return this page with the required documents.]

By my initials below, I certify that I am not currently nor ever been the subject of State Bar disciplinary proceedings nor have any current criminal charges pending. I never have been the subject of State Bar disciplinary proceedings closed in a manner adverse to the member, including matters closed by private removal, nor have I ever have been convicted of a criminal offense without satisfactory explanation to the Board of Directors of the Association.

Initial: _____

Primary Office Address: _____

City: _____

CALIFORNIA Zip _____

NOTE: The rules allow us to make referrals not only to attorneys whose offices are in Contra Costa County, but also in Albany, Benicia, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Livermore, Pleasanton, and Oakland. Also, if you have a second office where you meet clients, please provide that information.

Additional Office Address: _____

City: _____

CALIFORNIA Zip: _____

To schedule an appointment, our staff will send you an email with a description of the case along with the potential client's preferred appointment availability. We allow a three (3) hour window for you to respond before we move on to the next attorney in the panel rotation. Please indicate if you prefer to be reached by phone.

Email me first.

Attorney's Email to schedule appts.:

Support Staff Email to schedule appts.:

Call me first.

Telephone # to call to schedule appts.:

Telephone # to give to clients, if different from above:

INSTRUCTIONS

You may select **no more than 3** main categories from **LEVEL 1** with unlimited subcategories within the chosen main categories. The subcategories and your notes help us in the selection process. However, by selecting any category, you, the applicant, certify that within the last three (3) years a minimum of 25% of your practice has been in each chosen category, and that you possess the knowledge and skill to perform legal services in each selected category or subcategory in a competent manner. **EXCEPTIONS:** *Experience Panels require additional certification. Moderate Means, FLARe, and Limited Scope require additional applications.* Note: Moderate Means Panels are not included in the category count.

You may select unlimited categories from **LEVEL 2**. However, by selecting a category, you, the applicant, certify that you have handled at least 3 cases within each chosen category within the past 3 years in a competent manner.

Complete this application and return it with the [CCCBA LRIS MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT](#), plus, any additional required documents, as noted, to barsedo@cccba.org or mail to the above address.

All forms are accessible from the "[Lawyer Referral Service](#)" page on our website cccba.org.

24/7 ONLINE CLIENT SELF-REFERRAL PROGRAM

Yes, I am interested. Send me the enrollment information.

DON'T HAVE ENOUGH EXPERIENCE TO QUALIFY?

If you do not meet the experience requirements to participate on the panels, you may have a mentor from within your firm who is an LRIS panelist and who *does* meet the qualification criteria to join our network. This is *not* applicable to those panels that require additional certification.

I am a **Certified Specialist** in the fields of law as indicated. I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature: _____

LEVEL 1

Please add notes to the panels you choose. *Your notes help our staff to contact the right office during the selection process. Examples: HIPPA; no HIPPA; Special Needs Trusts; no LPS Conservatorships; QDROs; no QDROs; conflict with Kaiser; commercial tenants only. Be specific.*

- ADMINISTRATIVE**
 - Business License**
 - Education**
 - Federal Agencies**
 - Municipal Agencies**
 - State Agencies**
 - Licensing**
- ADMIRALTY & MARITIME LAW**
 - Certified Specialist**
- APPELLATE LAW**
 - Certified Specialist**
 - Civil**
 - Criminal**
 - Family**
- BANKRUPTCY**
 - Certified Specialist**
 - Business Bankruptcy Certified Specialist**
 - Consumer Bankruptcy Certified Specialist**
 - Debtor**

- Creditor**
- Chapter 7**
- Chapter 11**
- Chapter 13**

BUSINESS LAW

- Business Entities**
- Starting/Selling a small business**
- Contract dispute with customers**
- Contract dispute with suppliers**
- Corporations/Partnerships**
- Non-profit Corporations**
- International-Business**

CIVIL RIGHTS – CONSTITUTIONAL

CIVIL TRIAL ADVOCACY

- Certified Specialist**

CONSTRUCTION – GENERAL

- Mechanic's Lien**
 - Apply**
 - Remove**

CONTRACTS

- Debt Collection**
 - Creditor**
 - Debtor**
- Government**
- Secured & General**

CREDITOR'S RIGHTS LAW

- Certified Specialist**

CRIMINAL LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL

Automatic qualification for Certified Specialist.

Others – additional certification is required for admission to the panel.

- Certified Specialist**
- Appeals**

- DUI Subpanel**
- Felony Subpanel**
- Misdemeanor Subpanel**

- CRIMINAL – GENERAL**
 - Crime Victims**
 - Property Forfeiture**
 - Traffic/DMV**

- CRIMINAL TRIAL ADVOCACY**
 - Certified Specialist**

- ELDER LAW**
 - Certified Specialist**
 - Financial Abuse**
 - Long-term Care Planning**
 - Medi-Cal**
 - Social Security**

- ELDER LAW – MODERATE MEANS PROGRAM**
Additional application is required for this panel.

- ENVIRONMENTAL**

- ESTATE PLANNING, TRUST & PROBATE LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL**
Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists.
Others - additional certification is required for admission to this panel.
 - Certified Specialist**
 - Conservatorship**
 - Estate Planning, Wills & Trusts**
 - Durable Power of Attorney**
 - Probate/Administration**
 - Complex Administration & Litigation/Contests**
 - Simple Wills**

- FAMILY LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL**
Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists.
Others - additional certification is required for admission to this panel.
 - Certified Specialist**

Family Law Trial Advocacy Certified Specialist

Adoption

Domestic Partner or Stepparent

Independent

In-State

Interstate

Agency or Finalization

Appeals

Child Support

Custody/Visitation

Dissolution/Separation

Guardianship of Minor

International-Family

Military Service Personnel

Non-marital Relationships

Same-sex Relationships

Paternity

Pension & Retirement (QDROs)

Preuptial Agreements

Spousal Support

DVRO-Family

Other

FAMILY LAW – MODERATE MEANS PROGRAM

Additional application is required for this panel.

FLARe (Family Law Alternative Resolution Panel)

Additional application is required for this panel.

Option A **Option B** **Option C**

LIMITED SCOPE REPRESENTATION (UNBUNDLED) - FAMILY LAW

Additional application is required for this panel.

FRANCHISE & DISTRIBUTION LAW

Certified Specialist

IMMIGRATION & NATIONALITY LAW

Certified Specialist

Deportation/Exclusion

- Fraud Investigation**
- Labor Certification**
- Political Asylum**
- Visas/Naturalization**

IMMIGRATION LAW – MODERATE MEANS PROGRAM

Additional application is required for this panel

INSURANCE LAW

- Automobile**
- Bad Faith**

Disability

- Private**
- State**

Health Care & Hospital

Home/Fire/Property

Life

Litigation

- Defense**
- Plaintiff**

Structured Settlements

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Computer Law

Copyright

Patent

Trademark

Litigation

- Defense**
- Plaintiff**

JUVENILE LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL

Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists.

Child Welfare Law Specialist

Juvenile (300)

Juvenile (600)

LABOR/EMPLOYMENT LAW

- Civil Service**
- Discrimination (Age, Disability, Race, Sex)**
- Employers Rep Only**
- Labor Board Hearing**
- Other**
- Harassment (Sexual)**
- Pension & Retirement**
 - ERISA**
 - COBRA**
- Union Matters**
- Wrongful Termination**
- Labor Board Hearings**

 PERSONAL INJURY EXPERIENCE PANEL

Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists.

Others - additional certification is required for admission to this panel.

- Legal Malpractice Law Certified Specialist**
- Legal Professional Liability Certified Specialist**
- Medical Professional Liability Certified Specialist**
- Defense**
- Plaintiff**
- Asbestos**
- Assault/Battery**
- Automobile Accidents**
- Aviation Injury**
- Defamation/Slander**
- Federal Employers' Liability Act (FELA)**
- Insurance Bad Faith**
- Malpractice/Professional Liability:**
 - CPA**
 - Dental**
 - Legal**
 - Medical**
 - Psychiatric**
- Motorcycle Accidents**
- Other Bodily Injuries (dog bites, slip-n-fall, etc.)**
- Police Brutality, Misconduct & False Arrest**

- Product Liability**
- Wrongful Death/Massive Injuries**

REAL PROPERTY

- Condemnation**
- Contracts - General**
 - Non-disclosure**
 - Title Disputes**
 - Escrow**
- Foreclosure**
- Homeowners Association/CC&Rs**
 - Associations**
 - Members**
- Land Use**
 - Boundaries**
 - Easements**
 - Zoning**
- Litigation**
 - Defense**
 - Plaintiff**
- Time Share Disputes**

LIMITED SCOPE REPRESENTATION (UNBUNDLED) - Real Estate

Additional application is required for this panel.

SECURITIES

- Arbitration Advice**
- Litigation**
 - Defense**
 - Plaintiff**

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY

- Certified Specialist**

TAXATION LAW

- Certified Specialist**
- Audits, Tax Litigation**
- Federal**
- State**

- Other**
- Property Taxes**

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

- Certified Specialist**
- Federal**
- State**
- Employer**
- Employee**

LEVEL 2

ANIMAL/DOG LAW

CONSUMER

- Auto Dealer Fraud**
- Auto Repair/Lemon Law**
- Auto Repossessions**
- Banking (disputes regarding accounts)**
- Consumer-General**
- Credit Card Debt-respond to summons**
- Credit Matters**
- Contract Disputes (miscellaneous)**
- Fraud**
- Fee Disputes with Attorneys**
- Identity Theft**
- Respond to a Summons re: Credit Card Debt**
- Small Claims Court Advice**
- Student Loans**
- Other**

LIMITED SCOPE REP (UNBUNDLED) - Consumer

Additional application is required for this panel.

EMANCIPATION

ENTERTAINMENT

- EQUESTRIAN**
- GENDER CHANGE**
- HEALTH CARE & HOSPITAL LAW**
- LANDLORD**
 - Commercial Leases**
 - Evictions**
- MILITARY LAW**
- MUNICIPAL LAW**
- NAME CHANGE**
- NEIGHBOR DISPUTES**
 - Foliage**
- PROPERTY DAMAGE**
- STATE DISABILITY**
- TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER – CIVIL**
- TENANT**
 - Commercial Leases**
 - Discrimination**
 - Evictions**
 - Mobile Home Park**
- UNEMPLOYMENT**
 - Federal**
 - State**
- VETERANS**
- VETERINARY MALPRACTICE**
- WELFARE**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

SCHEDULING APPOINTMENTS:

- My office schedules appointments for me.
- I schedule my own appointments.

I WILL CONSULT WITH LRIS CLIENTS:

- By phone at the client's request
- On Saturdays
- After 5:00 p.m.

FOR THE PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED:

- My office is wheelchair accessible.
- My office has stairs.
 - I can arrange to meet downstairs.

I WILL CONSIDER DOING A:

- Jail Visit
- Hospital Visit
- Home Visit

LANGUAGES (other than English):

- I am fluent in:
- A staff member is fluent in:

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED:

- In-person using a sign language interpreter service
- California Relay Services (TTD/TTY; Video Relay Service)
- Email

I HANDLE CASES AGAINST:

- Contra Costa County
- Federal Government
- Municipalities
- State of California
- Other

INTERNATIONAL LAW:

- Country:
- I can see clients with the following types of situations.