



Telesca Center for Justice  
 One West Main Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
 Rochester, New York 14614-2098  
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**Section I: 2011-12 Membership Application** (Please Print or Type)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Firm Affiliation (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Street or P.O. Box) (Suite No.)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Business Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No. \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Admitted to Practice in New York \_\_\_\_\_ Where \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Month) (Day) (Year) (Department)

Admitted to Other State Bar(s) \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Month) (Day) (Year) (Department)

College \_\_\_\_\_ Law School \_\_\_\_\_ Year Graduated \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Biennial Registration Date \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I am licensed to practice law and that I will abide by the ByLaws (attached) of the Monroe County Bar Association.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Application

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature

**Annual dues: Please select the appropriate level based on the first year you were admitted to the practice of law REGARDLESS OF WHICH STATE the admission was in. Our fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30.**

<u>Year of Admission</u>	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Participating</u>	<u>District</u>
2011	<input type="radio"/> 20.00	<input type="radio"/> 20.00	<input type="radio"/> 20.00
2010	<input type="radio"/> 80.00	<input type="radio"/> 65.00	<input type="radio"/> 105.00
2009	<input type="radio"/> 105.00	<input type="radio"/> 85.00	<input type="radio"/> 2008 & Prior 195.00*
2008	<input type="radio"/> 125.00	<input type="radio"/> 100.00	*Less dues paid to another county bar association within the 7 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District, but not less of dues payment to MCBA than \$155.00. Proof of membership payment to other bar is required with this application.
2007	<input type="radio"/> 150.00	<input type="radio"/> 115.00	
2006	<input type="radio"/> 170.00	<input type="radio"/> 130.00	
2001-2005	<input type="radio"/> 205.00	<input type="radio"/> 160.00	
1996-2000	<input type="radio"/> 235.00	<input type="radio"/> 180.00	
1995 and prior	<input type="radio"/> 270.00	<input type="radio"/> 195.00	

**Retired Attorney Membership: 125.00**

See next page for additional levels.

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**New Admittees and Law Students 20.00**

Please check one of the following:

- New Admittee (admitted to NYS Bar on \_\_\_\_\_)
- Law Student (will graduate \_\_\_\_\_)
- Awaiting results of NYS Bar Exam taken on \_\_\_\_\_)
- Awaiting admission to NYS Bar (to be admitted on \_\_\_\_\_)

**Affiliate Membership (non-attorney) 100.00.** Please check one of the following:

- Awaiting decision in reciprocity process
- Paralegal
- Legal Administrator
- Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Office Setting:**

- Large Firm (50 +)
- Midsize Firm (15 – 49)
- Small (2 – 14)
- Solo Practitioner
- Government
- Judiciary/Courts
- Corporation/In House Counsel

**Please send me information and an application to participate in the Lawyer Referral Service.**

**Optional Data Submission**

**Gender:**

- Male
- Female

**Race:**

- African American/Black (Non-Hispanic)
- Asian/Pacific Islander
- Caucasian/White (Non-Hispanic)
- Latino/Hispanic
- Native American
- South Asian
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Fluency in Other Languages:**

- |   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Sign Language | <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arabic                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Korean      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese                | <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> French                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Polish      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> German                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Portuguese  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greek                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Russian     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Italian                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

**Please Enclose Remittance Payable To The Monroe County Bar Association**

Membership Dues \_\_\_\_\_

Section Dues \_\_\_\_\_

**Optional Contributions**

Foundation of the Monroe County Bar\* \_\_\_\_\_

Academy of Law Scholarship Fund \* \$10.00

MCBA Patron \$100.00

MCBA President's Circle \$

*(Donation to MCBA of \$250 and above)*

**Total** \$

\*501c3 --Tax deductible

**Earn "MCBA Bucks"!**

*Did another MCBA member refer you to join? Please let us know his or her name. For every new member referral, we give \$20 in "MCBA Bucks" to the referring attorney.*

\_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Method:**

- Check
- AMEX
- Mastercard
- Visa

Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*If you're interested in more information about the Lawyer Assistance Fund or Installment Plans to help defer the cost of membership, please contact Liz Novak at [lnovak@mcb.org](mailto:lnovak@mcb.org) or at 585-546-1817.*

# Monroe County Bar Association Classes & ByLaws

## MEMBERSHIP

**Section 1.** A "Member" of the Association is defined to mean any individual who meets the criteria for membership in the Association and who has paid all current dues as required by the Association.

### **Section 2. Classes of Members.**

(A) There shall be the following classes of Members in the Association:

(i) **Regular Member.** Any person who is admitted to the practice of law in the State of New York shall be eligible to be a Regular Member of the Association.

(ii) **Participating Member.** Any person who is (a) admitted to the practice of law in any jurisdiction other than the State of New York, or (b) does not reside, have an office or practice in the Seventh Judicial District and does not work in the Courts in the Seventh Judicial District shall be entitled to be a Participating Member.

(iii) **District Member.** Any person who is (a) admitted to the practice of law in the State of New York, and (b) resides within the Seventh Judicial District and does not reside or have an office in Monroe County and does not work in the Monroe County Court System shall be eligible to be a District Member.

(iv) **Retired Member.** Non-judicial members who have retired and have filed a certification with the Chief Administrator of Courts, pursuant to 22 NYCRR 118.1(g).

(v) **Honorary Member.** Regular Members whom the Board of Trustees, in its discretion selects, or who qualify pursuant to a policy adopted by the Board of Trustees, shall become Honorary Members of the Association.

(vi) **Patron Member.** Patron memberships in the Association shall be available to such members either Regular, Participating, Senior or Honorary, as are willing, for the support of the general work of the Association, to pay such amount as annual dues in any year as the Board of Trustees may determine from time to time. A member who decides to be a Patron Member in any year shall not be obligated to continue as such in any subsequent year.

(vii) **New Admittees & Law Students.** Attorneys admitted to the practice of law who are in their first year of admission (New Admittees), law school students, and those awaiting admission after passing the State Bar exam, as well as those awaiting results of the Bar exam. For New Admittees this member classification shall end on June 30 in the year following the year of admission.

(B) **Affiliates.** Paralegals, legal assistants and law administrators, and law school graduates who are not admitted in any jurisdiction shall be eligible for Affiliate Status. In addition, the Board of Trustees shall have power to grant Affiliate Status upon such other persons as the Board of Trustees in its discretion may decide would benefit from or assist the Association by such Affiliate Status.

(C) **Judges.** Judges of courts of record shall be eligible to serve as members of committees and sections, and except as prohibited by law, be eligible to serve as Officers and as Trustees of the Association in accordance with these By-laws.

### **Section 3. Selection of Members and Affiliates.**

Association shall apply to the Association in writing using the Membership Application furnished by the Association. Each Membership Application shall be accompanied by the appropriate annual dues except that dues shall not be due for the year following one's admission to the practice of law. The Executive Director shall promptly review each Membership Application to verify compliance with Section 2 of this Article and shall report thereon to the Board of Trustees. An applicant shall thereupon become a Member or Affiliate and be entitled to all the rights and privileges of membership.

### **Section 4. Rights and Privileges of Members and Affiliates.**

(A) All Members and Affiliates of the Association shall have the right to attend all meetings of the Association; to engage in deliberations at such meetings; to petition the Board of Trustees; and to participate in all programs and activities sponsored by the Association.

(B) Patron Members shall have all the rights and privileges to which they would have been entitled had they chosen to remain Regular, Associate, Senior or Honorary Members, as the case may be. Patron Members shall enjoy no additional rights and privileges as a result of becoming Patron Members.

(C) Only Regular, Participating and Senior Members of the Association shall be entitled to vote or serve as an elected Officer or Trustee of the Association.

### **Section 5. Dues.**

The Board of Trustees shall have full power to hereafter adjust the amount of dues except that the Board of Trustees may not increase the dues of Regular or Participating Members in an amount to exceed twenty percent (20%) of the previous year's dues without the prior approval of a majority of the Members qualified to vote who are present in person or by proxy at any duly held meeting of the Association, provided notice of the proposed increase has been given in the notice of the meeting. The Board of Trustees may decrease or eliminate the dues for any category of membership or any individual or individuals pursuant to such policies as it may from time to time adopt.

### **Section 6. Termination of Membership.**

The Board of Trustees, in its discretion, may grant a leave of absence from the Association to any Member, without dues, upon such terms and conditions as it prescribes. The Board of Trustees shall establish a written policy for the assessment of late fees against those who fail to pay dues within the time period prescribed in such policy, and for termination from membership, on notice of Members whose dues remain in arrears beyond the grace period prescribed in such policy.

### **Section 7. Membership in the Association.**

Membership in the Association shall, unless otherwise directed by the Board of Trustees, be terminated during any period in which a Member is suspended from practice by an Appellate Division or like authority or when a Member has been disbarred or resigns from admission to practice law.

## **Section II: 2011-12 Section Membership Enrollment Form**

Section membership is open to all members of the Bar Association. Sections offer educational programs for their members and for the entire association, with the opportunity to earn up to two free CLE credits within a fiscal year. Please indicate those sections in which you wish to enroll from **July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for section dues as stated below.

- |   |                |
|---|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Law Section     | _____ \$30.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Justice Section | _____ \$30.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law Section       | _____ \$30.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Litigation Section       | _____ \$30.00  |
| _____ Personal Injury Sub-committee               |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate Section      | _____ \$30.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Section              | _____ \$30.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trusts & Estates Section | _____ \$30.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Lawyers Section    | _____ \$20.00* |

\*waived for those admitted in 2011

### **Section III: 2011-12 Committee Sign-Up Form**

Join an MCBA committee to pursue your interests, contribute your talents and advance your profession. Plus, as a member of a committee, you can earn up to two free CLE credits within the fiscal year. You must be an MCBA member to join a committee. Please indicate those committees in which you wish to enroll from **July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012**.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check the committees you would like to join.**

<p><b>Committees:</b></p> <p>_____ Access to Justice _____ Bankruptcy _____ Disability, Labor &amp; Employment Law _____ Elder Law _____ Environmental Law _____ Law Practice Succession _____ Lawyer Referral Service _____ Lawyers Concerned For Lawyers _____ Lawyers for Learning _____ Membership/Benefits _____ Memorial _____ Municipal Attorneys _____ School Attorneys _____ Senior Attorneys _____ Solo &amp; Small Practice</p>	<p><b>Committees Requiring Presidential Appointment:</b></p> <p>_____ Academy of Law _____ Awards _____ Diversity _____ Ethics _____ Fee Arbitration _____ House/Finance _____ Judiciary _____ Nominating _____ Professional Performance _____ Sitting Judge Evaluation _____ Strategic Plan _____ Unlawful Practice of Law</p> <p><b>Your Ideas for Other Committees or Interest Groups:</b></p> <p>_____ _____ _____</p>
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**Please return this application along with appropriate dues to:**

Monroe County Bar Association

Telesca Center for Justice

One West Main Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor

Rochester, NY 14614-2098

Attn: Membership Department or fax to (585) 546-1807

**For questions, please contact:**

Liz Novak, Membership & Communications Manager, at (585) 402-7193