

NYSBA 2012 Dues Waiver Program

You can afford the benefits of membership.

NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION DUES WAIVER PROGRAM:

As the oldest and largest voluntary state bar association in the nation, the New York State Bar Association owes its long-standing strength to the diversity of its membership.

The Association recognizes that some attorneys are unable to pay full membership dues because of income constraints. To help attorneys in such circumstances, the New York State Bar Association offers the Dues Waiver Program.

The Dues Waiver Program is intended to help its members by providing assistance to attorneys whose financial circumstances are such that full payment of membership dues would pose a financial hardship. Current or prospective members of the New York State Bar Association are eligible to apply for dues waivers. **Participation in the program is limited to two consecutive membership years, absent extenuating circumstances.**

Those who wish to apply for a dues waiver must complete and sign this application. All dues waiver applications are treated confidentially.

In the year following one's participation in the program, members will receive an invoice for the full dues amount. The Dues Waiver Program operates on an annual basis, and may be terminated at the close of any calendar year.

Dues Waiver Program participants are entitled to all NYSBA benefits of membership as provided under the bylaws.

HOW ARE DUES WAIVERS DETERMINED?:

Dues waiver applicants must determine for themselves the level they can afford to pay.

Situations which would merit a dues waiver include:

- unemployment or income constraints
- time out from practice for family or health reasons
- reduced income based upon extraordinary practice or business losses

After determining the regular membership dues amount, applicants may apply for a **25 percent or 50 percent** waiver. All dues waiver applicants are requested to pay a minimum of one-half the regular dues for their membership category.

However, should these levels continue to prove difficult, simply submit a note that explains your extenuating circumstances with this application, and pay whatever you feel is manageable.

Please note that Section dues **are not** included in the Dues Waiver Program. Please refer to the following chart for guidance on dues waiver payments.

For more information contact:

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2012 Dues Category		Payment with 25% waiver	Payment with 50% waiver
REGULAR MEMBERS: (Attorneys who live and/or work in New York.)			
Admitted 2004 and prior	\$275.00	\$206.25	\$137.50
Admitted 2005-2006	\$185.00	\$138.75	\$ 92.50
Admitted 2007-2008	\$125.00	\$ 93.75	\$ 62.50
Admitted 2009-2011	\$ 60.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00
NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS: (Attorneys who do not live or work in New York.)			
Admitted 2004 and prior	\$180.00	\$135.00	\$ 90.00
Admitted 2005-2006	\$150.00	\$112.50	\$ 75.00
Admitted 2007-2008	\$120.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 60.00
Admitted 2009-2011	\$ 60.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

- As a current NYSBA member, I would like to apply for a dues waiver for 2012.
- I would like to become a member of the New York State Bar Association, and apply for a dues waiver for 2012. (Please include proof of admission to the practice of law.)
- I would like to reactivate my NYSBA membership and apply for a dues waiver for 2012.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Membership ID# _____

The above address is my: () office () home () both

Office phone () _____

Home phone () _____

Fax number () _____

E-mail address _____

Date of birth _____

Original Admission to the Bar: Date _____ State _____

Other states and dates of Bar Admittance:

Law school _____

Graduation date _____

