



NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

NYSBA 2018 ATTORNEY APPLICATION FORM LAWYER REFERRAL AND INFORMATION SERVICE

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Name _____ Date of NY Admission _____ NYSBA ID# _____
 Firm Name _____ County* _____
 Address _____ City, State, Zip _____
 Phone _____ FAX _____ E-mail address _____
 Website: _____ Is your office handicapped accessible? Yes _____ No _____
 Do you have evening hours? Yes _____ No _____ Will you make home visits? Yes _____ No _____
 Are you a trial attorney? Yes _____ No _____ Foreign Languages Spoken: _____
 Are you admitted to practice in any other state? Yes, as follows: _____ No _____
 Are you willing to take cases outside your county? Yes _____ No _____ If so, what other County/Countries _____

**NOTE: Malpractice insurance in the minimum amount of \$100,000 is required of all participants.
Please attach a copy of the policy's declaration page to this application.**

Areas of Practice, Level I: Please choose no more than TEN areas of practice (boxed areas count as one category)

<input type="checkbox"/> Adoption	<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/> **Social Security ___ **SSD ___ **SSI
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural/Farm Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Labor Relations ___ Civil Service ___ Employment Contracts ___ Employment Discrimination	<input type="checkbox"/> Taxation
<input type="checkbox"/> Animal Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Landlord/Tenant <input type="checkbox"/> Just Landlord	<input type="checkbox"/> **Unemployment
<input type="checkbox"/> Appeals	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal Malpractice	<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle & Traffic Law
<input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy ___ Chapter 7 ___ Chapter 11 ___ Chapter 13	<input type="checkbox"/> LGBTQ Rights	<input type="checkbox"/> **Veterans & Military Law
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights ___ Prisoners' Rights/1983 Litigation ___ LGBTQ Rights	<input type="checkbox"/> Matrimonial/Divorce	<input type="checkbox"/> Wills <input type="checkbox"/> Contested Wills
<input type="checkbox"/> Collections	<input type="checkbox"/> Municipal	<input type="checkbox"/> **Workers' Compensation
<input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Protection	<input type="checkbox"/> **Negligence & Tort-Plaintiff ___ Negligence & ___ Tort-Defendant ___ Court of Claims ___ Prisoner/Court of Claims	I am currently listed on:
<input type="checkbox"/> Contracts ___ Business Agreements ___ Home/Builder	<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/> **Medical Malpractice
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Patents, Trademarks & Copyright	<input type="checkbox"/> Major Criminal
<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Property	<input type="checkbox"/> **Major Personal Injury
<input type="checkbox"/> Document Preparation ___ Health Care Proxy ___ Power of Attorney ___ Name Change ___ Living Wills	<input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate ___ Closings ___ Condemnation ___ Foreclosure ___ Land Contract ___ Tax Assessments ___ Zoning and Land Use	List any other areas of practice you would like to add in which you have experience. _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Education Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement /Pension	
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental	<input type="checkbox"/> Small Business	
<input type="checkbox"/> Family Court Law		
<input type="checkbox"/> Guardianship/Conservatorship		
<input type="checkbox"/> Immigration & Naturalization		

*Participating attorneys must have an office in one of the following counties: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Montgomery, Niagara, Oneida, Ontario, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Rensselaer, St. Lawrence, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Sullivan, Tioga, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates.

**I will give a free consultation for matters referred in these areas of practice.



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Areas of Practice, Level II:

- Custody:** In the past two years, I have devoted 20% of my practice to custody matters; I have handled 5 custody matters; and I have completed 6 hours of custody-related CLE.
- Elder Law:** In the past two years, I have devoted 20% of my practice to elder law; I have handled 5 elder law matters; and I have completed 6 hours of elder law-related CLE.
- Estates:** In the past two years I have devoted 20% of my practice to estate law; I have handled 5 probate or administration of estate matters to completion; and I have completed 6 hours of estate-related CLE.
- Farm Bankruptcy:** In the past two years I have handled one farm bankruptcy matter to completion and I have completed 6 hours of farm/agricultural-related CLE.
- QDRO's/DRO's:** I have represented clients in at least ten (10) Supreme Court matters in the past five (5) years in which Qualified Domestic Relations Orders/ Domestic Relation Orders were prepared and submitted by the undersigned attorney.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that I maintain the expertise listed for each area of practice checked above.

Signature _____

Areas of Practice, Level III:

I am interested in applying for the subject matter panel(s) checked below; please send me an application. Eligibility is for five years. There is a fee of \$100 to be submitted with each completed application.

- Major Criminal
- Major Personal Injury
- Medical Malpractice

PLEASE ATTACH: Payment: ___ \$100 NYSBA Members ___ \$250 Non-Members ___ \$100 Subject Matter Panel Fee
 Copy of Insurance Declaration Page (Required) (per panel for five years)

Charge \$ _____ to American Express Discover MasterCard Visa Valid from _____ to _____

Card Number

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Signature _____

PANEL AGREEMENT TERMS

I am an attorney currently licensed in New York and registered with the Office of Court Administration. I hereby certify that I maintain the ongoing professional expertise to handle referred matters competently, and I have no disciplinary proceedings pending against me; or, if there is a disciplinary proceeding pending before either a district or department committee, I have attached an explanation on a separate sheet. If there is any change in this status, I agree to notify the LRIS in writing forthwith of same. I agree to serve persons referred to me in accordance with the terms of the LRIS Plan, which I have read. I agree to grant clients referred an initial consultation of one-half hour for no more than \$35, and this fee may be waived by me. I further agree to provide a free initial consultation in those areas of law starred on page one if they are among my chosen areas of practice. **If I am retained by any referred clients, I agree to remit to the LRIS 10% of the entire fee if the fee for any referral case is \$500 or more, exclusive of disbursements. I understand that no percentage fee shall be charged if the fee is less than \$500. I agree that this fee is owed to the LRIS for any referral case including: (1) the initial matter referred and any related transaction, proceeding or action; and (2) any other matter which involves the same client and is undertaken within three years of the date of the referral or the initial retention, whichever last occurs.** Should I decline a referral for any reason, I agree to refer the caller back to the LRIS. I understand that I am responsible for any fees due the LRIS from matters referred to me, even if the same client also is referred to me by one or more other sources. I understand that my obligation to pay the LRIS continues until the matter is closed by the LRIS and/or the LRIS relieves me of my obligation, even if I am discharged by the client and/or the matter is concluded by another attorney, and even if I do not remain an LRIS participant.

Signed _____ Date _____