

WILL COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

167 N. Ottawa Street, Ste. 200

Joliet, IL 60432

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WCBA LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE CATEGORIES

Please remit \$50.00 to participate in the WCBA Lawyer Referral Service through June 30, 2026 for up to **(4) categories** (check below). Return this completed form along with \$50 and your malpractice declaration page to: WCBA 167 N. Ottawa St. Ste. 101 Joliet, IL 60432.

Name: _____

Office Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- ☐ Adoption
- ☐ Bankruptcy
- ☐ Bankruptcy Adversaries, Creditors Rights
- ☐ Business Consulting/Litigation
- ☐ Civil Litigation
- ☐ Civil Rights
- ☐ Consumer Credit (Student Loan, Debt Settlement, Debt Relief)
- ☐ Credit (Fair Credit Reporting, Credit Repair, Credit Counseling, Identify Theft)
- ☐ Criminal Law/Felony
- ☐ Criminal Law/Non-Felony, Juvenile
- ☐ Criminal Law/DUI
- ☐ Elder Law
- ☐ Employment Law
- ☐ Family Law
- ☐ Foreclosure
- ☐ General Practice
- ☐ Immigration
- ☐ Insurance – Home, Auto
- ☐ Landlord
- ☐ Land Use/Zoning
- ☐ Personal Injury
- ☐ Probate/Guardianship
- ☐ Real Estate / No Tax Assessments
- ☐ Real Estate / Tax Assessments
- ☐ Tenant
- ☐ Traffic
- ☐ Trust/Wills/Estates
- ☐ Worker's Comp
- ☐ Other – Please specify: _____
- ☐ Speak other languages, please specify: _____

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The purpose of the Lawyer Referral Service is to assist the general public by providing a way in which any person who can afford to pay a reasonable fee for legal services may be referred to a qualified member of the bar. Referrals will be made to a participant-member of the Service based on proximity to the requestor on a rotating basis.

1. All persons licensed to practice law by the Supreme Court of Illinois, in good standing, and who are also members of the WCBA (Will County Bar Association) in good standing, may qualify as a participant member and shall automatically constitute the voting membership of the LRS service.
2. You may choose up to 4 branches of legal work in which you wish to receive referrals. If, after submitting your application, you do not desire to handle a certain type of legal work, you must notify WCBA immediately so that it can be deleted from your profile. (Categories are listed on a separate page.)
3. A person who contacts LRS for referral to a lawyer is given the name of every lawyer who has requested a referral in the applicable branch of legal work.

A member, in filing this application agrees to:

4. Meet with each person referred to him, if that person requests a consultation. Should there be professional reasons why a lawyer cannot see a referred client; the client should be referred back to LRS with an explanation of the professional reasons.
5. Carry, continue to carry, professional liability insurance and to notify the WCBA immediately if for any reason the insurance coverage terminates. You must also provide the WCBA proof of insurance. If you do not provide to us your professional liability insurance information, we can terminate you from the program without reimbursement of your membership fee.
6. Authorize the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission (ARDC) to disclose to the Board of the WCBA all information contained in the Commission's file concerning participant-member's present status. I as a participant-member expressly waive whatever right I may have respecting confidentiality required by Supreme Court Rule 766.
7. Accept a status of suspension from receiving referrals during such time as a complaint may be pending as voted on by the inquiry Board of the ARDC and until such time as the complaint is either dismissed or the participant-member is permitted to resume practice by the Illinois Supreme Court.
8. Abide by all the rules of the Service and in no event hold, or claim to hold, the Association or any of its officers, members, or employees liable in connection with the operation of, or use of the information contained in the application in connection with the activities of the Service.

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II. MEMBERSHIP FEE

Each participant-member of the Service will pay to WCBA a non-refundable annual fee of \$50 to defray the cost of the LRS service.

III. WITHDRAWAL FROM MEMBERSHIP

A participant-member may at any time withdraw his/her name from participation in the Service upon five (5) days written notice to the WCBA.

IV.

These rules shall be amended only with the approval of the Will County Bar Association Board of Directors.

I hereby agree to meet and abide by all of the ARDC standing/insurance requirements and rules set forth in the section above.

YES

NO

Signature