



# Membership Form

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Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:  Honorable  Attorney  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Office/Court: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Building/Suite: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Web site: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Law School: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Admitted to Practice in GA: \_\_\_\_\_

**Select up to three areas of practice.** (These will be placed on the web-site/ paper directory and used for our lawyer referral service)

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 01 Administrative Law             | 15 Entertainment                | 29 Labor and Employment                    | 43 Product Liability (Defense)   |
| 02 Admiralty                      | 16 Environmental and Toxic Tort | 30 Liability Insurance                     | 44 Product Liability (Plaintiff) |
| 03 Adoption                       | 17 Estate Planning and Probate  | 31 Litigation (Accounting Malpractice)     | 45 Public Interest/Poverty Law   |
| 04 Alternative Dispute Resolution | 18 Family                       | 32 Litigation (Appellate)                  | 46 Public Housing                |
| 05 Attorney Placement             | 19 General Law                  | 33 Litigation (Business)                   | 47 Real Estate (Commercial)      |
| 06 Bankruptcy                     | 20 Government Agency            | 34 Litigation (General)                    | 48 Real Estate (Residential)     |
| 07 Business and Finance           | 21 Health Care                  | 35 Litigation (Insurance Defense)          | 49 Social Security               |
| 08 Civil Rights                   | 22 Hospitality                  | 36 Litigation (Medical Malpractice)        | 50 State Bar                     |
| 09 Community Associations         | 23 Immigration                  | 37 Litigation (Personal Injury)            | 51 State Licensing               |
| 10 Construction                   | 24 International                | 38 Litigation (Plaintiff's Representation) | 52 Student                       |
| 11 Corporate/In-House Counsel     | 25 Intellectual Property        | 39 Litigation (Securities)                 | 53 Taxation                      |
| 12 Criminal Defense               | 26 Judiciary (Judges Only)      | 40 Media Law                               | 54 Technology                    |
| 13 Criminal Prosecution           | 27 Judicial Clerk               | 41 Military/Veterans                       | 55 Worker's Compensation         |
| 14 Education                      | 28 Juvenile Advocacy            | 42 Municipal Law                           | 56 Zoning & Land Use             |
|                                   |                                 |  | 57 Probate Litigation            |
|                                   |                                 |  | 58 Elder Care                    |

**YOUR DEKALB BAR MEMBERSHIP:**

**Areas of Interests** (choose DeKalb Bar Association Committees in which you would like to participate):

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|---|--|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter          | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer Referral Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLE                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Long Range Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations                      | <input type="checkbox"/> DeKalb Bar Foundation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsoring an Event \$ _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Hosting an Event    | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing an article for the newsletter |  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bench and Bar                | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs            | <input type="checkbox"/> Judicial Selection                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Law Day                 |   |

**Choose a membership level** (refer to page 2 for eligibility):

- Gold - \$500     Active - \$225     Associate - \$180     Affiliate - \$180     Honorary - \$0     Student - \$0

**Additional Information:**

**Lawyer Referral Directory:**

- Check here if you do NOT want to be listed in the online and/or paper directory of DeKalb Bar Association members. Being listed in the directory is a critical benefit of membership, since it provides a way for prospective clients and other attorneys to refer business to you.

**Mailing List:**

- Occasionally, political candidates and commercial vendors ask to purchase our mailing lists. Sales of the list help keep bar dues down, so we appreciate your allowing us to do this. If you do NOT want to have your name included on lists sold in this manner, please check here.

**New Courthouse ID Badge: One time \$10 fee**

- Check here if you want a DeKalb Bar Association identification badge issued in your name. The cost of the badge is a *one time* fee of \$10.00. This laminated official badge will enable you to enter the employee entrance on the rear of the DeKalb County Courthouse, next to the parking lot. It may also enable you to get discounts off any sponsors or vendors who support the DBA. Please email a digitized photo of yourself (a headshot) to [execdir@dekalbbar.org](mailto:execdir@dekalbbar.org) so that your badge can be generated. The application will also need to be filled out and mailed. If you do not have a digitized photograph of yourself, please contact the executive director to make alternative arrangements. Allow 4 to 6 weeks for delivery. If you are renewing your membership, you will receive a new expiration date sticker to place on your badge. (Available for members with State Bar numbers)

**Join a Section:** (Please see web site for Section qualifications)

- Trial Lawyers Section \$25 \_\_\_\_\_     Family Law Section \$25 \_\_\_\_\_     Younger Lawyers Section \$10 \_\_\_\_\_
- Would you like to make a donation to the DeKalb Bar Foundation? (Circle the amount) \$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment:** Please send form along with dues to the mailing address: DeKalb Bar Association, P. O. Box 3136, Decatur, GA 30031

Check (make check payable to DeKalb Bar Association)?  Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Name on credit card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## -MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES AND DUES-

**Gold Membership, \$500.** All attorneys who are in good standing in the State Bar of Georgia are eligible for membership. Your support is appreciated and you will be recognized in all DBA newsletter editions.

**Active Membership, \$225.** All attorneys who are in good standing in the State Bar of Georgia are eligible for membership.

**Associate Members, \$180.** Any person in the following categories is eligible to be an associate member:

- Any person other than a member of the State Bar of Georgia who is duly admitted to practice law and is in good standing in any state, territory or possession of the United States.
- Any former active member of the Association who no longer maintains an office for the practice of law, and is a member in good standing of the State Bar of Georgia.
- Any member of the State Bar of Georgia who has elected to become inactive with the State Bar of Georgia.

**Affiliate Members, \$180.** Any person in the following categories is eligible to be an affiliate member:

- Any person enrolled in his or her second year of law school.
- Any person who is employed as a Legal Assistant, Legal Secretary, or Paralegal, and who is not eligible for active membership.

**Honorary Members, \$0.** Any person who has rendered distinguished service to the legal profession or to the State of Georgia or to the United States may be elected an honorary member of the Association by the unanimous vote of the Executive Committee.

**Student Member, \$0.** Any law student or any law school graduate awaiting admission to the Bar provided such person has not exceeded his or her second anniversary of graduation. There are no annual dues. Luncheon attendance is a \$10 fee.

## - BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP INCLUDE -

- **FREE lunch** at regularly scheduled monthly luncheon meetings
- **DeKalb County Judicial System Access Card** which allows access to the DeKalb County Judicial Complex (a nominal fee for card production is charged after application has been approved by the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office)
- **Monthly edition** of **The DeKalb Bar News**
- **Discounted** price for advertising in **The DeKalb Bar News** and free space - when available - for professional announcements. Includes access to member **email list serve**
- **Discounted** prices when attending DeKalb Bar sponsored continuing legal education programs
- **Free Membership Directory & Lawyer Referral Service**
- **Committees** which provide you the opportunity to promote the interest of our profession
- **Bar sponsored programs** which act as forums for bringing together members of the bench and bar to exchange information relating to their respective areas of concentration
- **Social functions** which provide you the opportunity to enjoy the camaraderie with other members of the bench and bar in a more relaxed atmosphere
- **Insurance Programs** provided by Insurance Specialists, Inc. to members
- **Thomson West** will offer a discount to any bar member that mentions they are a member at the time of purchasing a product. Discounts will vary depending on product and time of purchase
- **Lawyers USA** is a bi-weekly national newspaper that offers practice-specific content, cutting-edge litigation strategies, verdicts & settlements, comprehensive Supreme Court coverage, and technology, marketing and office management tips. As a DeKalb Bar Association member, you qualify for a special subscription rate of \$99.50/year – 50% off the regular rate of \$199/year. Visit [www.lawyersusaonline.com](http://www.lawyersusaonline.com) for more information, or call 800-451-9998 to subscribe
- **CBeyond** – members will receive a promotional discount on services including business-grade voice, broadband, mobile and applications. Visit [www.cbeyond.net](http://www.cbeyond.net)

**(Only fill this form if you are paying for a new ID)**

# DeKalb County Sheriff

## DeKalb County Judicial System Access Card Application Agreement

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of a copy of the rules and regulations regarding unscreened access to the DeKalb County Judicial Complex and agrees to comply with such rules and regulations, as amended. If the access card is lost or stolen, such fact must be reported within two (2) hours to the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office at 404-298-8145.

The access card will remain valid as long as the holder continues membership with the DeKalb Bar Association. The access granted by this card does not extend to any of the holder's assistants, paralegals, witnesses, etc.

The undersigned further understands that such access is a privilege and the Sheriff may, at his sole discretion, revoke holder's access privileges, whereupon holder will immediately surrender his or her identification badge to the Sheriff.

## Consent

I hereby authorize DeKalb County Sheriff's Office to receive any criminal history record information pertaining to me, which may be in the files of any state or local criminal justice agency in Georgia. I understand that this information, and the information provided below, will be used only for the purpose of approving this application.

<b>Last Name</b>			<b>First Name</b>		<b>Middle Name</b>		
<b>Date of Birth</b>		<b>Sex</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Social Security Number</b>	<b>Drivers License Number</b>		<b>DL State</b>
<b>Home Address</b>				<b>City</b>		<b>State</b>	<b>Zip Code</b>
<b>Home Phone</b>			<b>Business Phone</b>			<b>Business Extension</b>	
<b>Business Address</b>				<b>City</b>		<b>State</b>	<b>Zip Code</b>
<b>State Bar #</b>				<b>Date Requested</b>			
<b>Applicants Signature</b>						<b>Date Signed</b>	

DeKalb County Sheriff's OFFICE Use Only				
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Approved</b>	<b>Comments</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Denied</b>				
<b>Authorizing Signature</b>			<b>Authorized Date</b>	
<b>Judicial Card Nbr.</b>	<b>Background</b>	<b>Access Group</b>	<b>Active Date</b>	<b>Delete Date</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>				
<b>State Ct Card Nbr.</b>	<b>Time Code/Reader Group</b>	<b>Active Date</b>	<b>Delete Date</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>				

When completed deliver signed original to:  
DeKalb Bar Association  
Attn: Executive Director  
PO Box 3136

