



Contra Costa County Bar Association

LAWYER REFERRAL & INFORMATION SERVICE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & AGREEMENT

DECLARATION & APPLICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that the following is true and correct:

1. I am an active member of the State Bar of California. I have not been removed from a Lawyer Referral & Information Service (LRIS) within the past two years. I maintain a practice in the community served by the LRIS.

2. I am not currently the subject of State Bar disciplinary proceedings nor are there currently any criminal charges pending against me; or if I am the subject of such proceedings or charges, I have attached to this declaration a complete explanation.

3. I have never been the subject of State Bar disciplinary proceedings closed in a manner adverse to me, including matters closed by private reprisal, nor have I been convicted of a criminal offense; or if I have been the subject of such proceedings or so convicted, I have attached to this declaration a complete explanation.

4. I am familiar with State Bar of California Rules of Professional Conduct, and, in particular, with Rule 6-101, Failing to Act Competently.

5. I hereby declare that I either have sufficient experience and skill necessary to undertake representation of clients referred by the Panel; or that I will perform the duties necessary to competently represent clients in those areas by associating or, where appropriate, professionally consulting with another member of the Bar who is competent in such fields; or by acquiring sufficient learning and skill before actual performance in such areas is required. I further declare that I have sufficient time, resources and abilities to perform such duties, and that in such areas where I lack sufficient expertise at the time of undertaking to represent a client in such a matter, I will not charge the client for my efforts in acquiring that expertise.

I hereby apply for membership on the Lawyer Referral & Information Service of the Contra Costa County Bar Association.

AGREEMENT

1. I agree to abide by all the Rules of the LRIS and such other and further rules as may be hereinafter adopted. A copy of the Rules is attached.

2. I agree to abide by the basic procedures for consultations with clients, to remit the applicable consultation fees and LRIS referral forms, and to pay the percentage fees as stated in the rules.

3. I agree to submit to the disciplinary steps and the arbitration rules as specified in the rules.

4. I agree that I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the LRIS and/or the Contra Costa County Bar Association from any adverse claim, award, judgment or settlement occurring as a result of my advice to or my representation of a client referred by the LRIS. I shall continue to maintain errors and omissions (professional negligence) insurance in an amount of not less than \$100,000.00 for each occurrence, and \$300,000.00 aggregate per year. A copy of the Declarations page is attached. I agree to notify the LRIS prior to expiration or cancellation date of any such policy. I shall refuse any further referrals from the LRIS for so long as the policy is not in force.

DATE _____

NAME _____

FIRM _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

FAX _____

SIGNATURE _____

STATE BAR # _____