



Contra Costa County Bar Association

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LAWYER REFERRAL & INFORMATION SERVICE 2021 APPLICATION

You may select **no more than 3** main categories from **LEVEL 1** with unlimited subcategories within the chosen main categories. The subcategories and your notes help us in the selection process. However, by selecting any category, you, the applicant, certify that within the last three (3) years a minimum of 25% of your practice has been in each chosen category, and that you possess the knowledge and skill to perform legal services in each selected category or subcategory in a competent manner. **EXCEPTIONS:** *Experience Panels require additional certification. Moderate Means, FLARe, and Limited Scope require additional applications.* Note: Moderate Means Panels are not included in the category count.

You may select unlimited categories from **LEVEL 2**. However, by selecting a category, you, the applicant, certify that you have handled at least 3 cases within each chosen category within the past 3 years in a competent manner.

Complete this application and return it with the [CCCBA LRIS MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT*](#) and any additional required documents, as noted, to barsedo@cccba.org or mail to the above address.

All forms are accessible from the "[Lawyer Referral Service](#)" page on our website cccba.org.

For more information, contact Barbara Arsedo, the LRIS Director at (925) 370-2544.

Please add notes to the panels you choose. Notes help our staff narrow down the field of attorneys to contact during the selection process. Examples: no false arrest; conflict with Kaiser; plastic surgery; mold. Be specific, whenever possible.

DON'T HAVE ENOUGH EXPERIENCE TO QUALIFY?

If you do not meet the experience requirements to participate on the panels, you may have a mentor from within your firm who is an LRIS panelist and who *does* meet the qualification criteria to join our network. This is *not* applicable to those panels that require additional certification.

There are no changes from last year's application.

[Complete this section & return this page with the required documents*.]

Date: _____
Name: _____
State Bar #: _____
Firm: _____

By my initials below, I certify that I am not currently nor ever been the subject of State Bar disciplinary proceedings nor have any current criminal charges pending. I never have been the subject of State Bar disciplinary proceedings closed in a manner adverse to the member, including matters closed by private removal, nor have I ever have been convicted of a criminal offense without satisfactory explanation to the Board of Directors of the Association.

Initials

NOW AVAILABLE: 24/7 Online Client Self-Referral Program
[] Yes, I am interested. Send enrollment information.

Primary Office Address: _____
City: _____
CALIFORNIA Zip: _____

NOTE: The rules now allow us to make referrals not only to attorneys whose offices are in Contra Costa County, but also in Albany, Benicia, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Livermore, Pleasanton and Oakland.

Office Address # 2: _____
City: _____
CALIFORNIA Zip: _____

Telephone # to call to schedule appts.: _____
Telephone # to give to clients: _____
Fax: _____
Attorney's Email: _____
Support Staff Email: _____

I am a Certified Specialist in the fields of law indicated. I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.
Signature: _____

LEVEL 1

ADMINISTRATIVE Notes:

- Business License** Notes:
- Education** Notes:
- Federal Agencies** Notes:
- Municipal Agencies** Notes:
- State Agencies** Notes:
- Licensing** Notes:

ADMIRALTY & MARITIME LAW Notes:

- Certified Specialist**

APPELLATE LAW Notes:

- Certified Specialist**
- Civil** Notes:

BANKRUPTCY Notes:

- Certified Specialist**
- Business Bankruptcy Certified Specialist**
- Consumer Bankruptcy Certified Specialist**
- Debtor** Notes:
- Creditor** Notes:
- Chapter 7** Notes:
- Chapter 11** Notes:
- Chapter 13** Notes:

 BUSINESS LAW Notes:

- Business Entities** Notes:
- Starting/Selling a small business**
- Contract dispute with customers**
- Contract dispute with suppliers**
- Corporations/Partnerships** Notes:
- Non-profit Corporations** Notes:
- International-Business** Notes:

 CIVIL RIGHTS – CONSTITUTIONAL Notes: **CIVIL TRIAL ADVOCACY** Notes:

- Certified Specialist**

 CONSTRUCTION – GENERAL Notes:

- Mechanic's Lien**
 - Apply**
 - Remove**

 CONTRACTS Notes:

- Debt Collection** Notes:
 - Creditor**
 - Debtor**
- Government** Notes:
- Secured & General** Notes:

 CREDITOR'S RIGHTS LAW Notes:

- Certified Specialist**

 CRIMINAL LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL

*Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists;
Others - additional certification is required for admission to this panel.*

- Certified Specialist**
- DUI Subpanel**
- Felony Subpanel**
- Misdemeanor Subpanel**

 CRIMINAL – GENERAL Notes:

- Appeals** Notes:
- Crime Victims** Notes:
- Property Forfeiture** Notes:
- Traffic/DMV** Notes:

 CRIMINAL TRIAL ADVOCACY Notes:

- Certified Specialist**

 ELDER LAW Notes:

- Certified Specialist**
- Financial Abuse** Notes:
- Long-term Care Planning** Notes:
- Medi-Cal** Notes:
- Social Security** Notes:

 ELDER LAW – MODERATE MEANS PROGRAM

Additional application is required for this panel.

 ENVIRONMENTAL Notes: **ESTATE PLANNING, TRUST & PROBATE LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL**

*Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists;
Others - additional certification is required for admission to this panel.*

- Certified Specialist**
- Conservatorship** Notes:
- Estate Planning, Wills & Trusts** Notes:
 - Durable Power of Attorney**
 - Living Trusts**
- Probate / Administration** Notes:
- Complex Administration & Litigation /Contests** Notes:

 FAMILY LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL

*Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists;
Others - additional certification is required for admission to this panel.*

- Certified Specialist**
- Family Law Trial Advocacy Certified Specialist** Notes:
- Adoption** Notes:
 - Domestic Partner or Step-Parent** Notes:
 - Independent**
 - In-State** Notes:
 - Interstate** Notes:
 - Agency or Finalization** Notes:
- Appeals** Notes:
- Child Support** Notes:
- Custody / Visitation** Notes:
- Dissolution / Separation** Notes:
- Guardianship of Minor** Notes:
- International-Family** Notes:
- Military Service** Notes:
- Non-marital Relationships** Notes:
- Same-sex Relationships** Notes:
- Paternity** Notes:
- Pension & Retirement (QDROs)** Notes:
- Preuptial Agreements** Notes:
- Spousal Support** Notes:
- Temporary Restraining Orders-Family** Notes:
- Other** Notes:

Additional application is required for each of these panels.

 FAMILY LAW – MODERATE MEANS PROGRAM **FLArE (Family Law Alternative Resolution Panel)**

- Option A** **Option B** **Option C**

 LIMITED SCOPE REP (UNBUNDLED) - Family Law

FRANCHISE & DISTRIBUTION LAW Notes:

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- Certified Specialist**

 IMMIGRATION & NATIONALITY LAW Notes:

- Certified Specialist**
- Deportation / Exclusion** Notes:
- Fraud Investigation** Notes:
- Labor Certification** Notes:
- Political Asylum** Notes:
- Visas / Naturalization** Notes:

 IMMIGRATION LAW – MODERATE MEANS PROGRAM

Additional application is required for this panel.

 INSURANCE LAW Notes:

- Automobile** Notes:
- Bad Faith** Notes:
- Disability** Notes:
 - Private** Notes:
 - State** Notes:
- Health Care & Hospital** Notes:
- Home / Fire / Property** Notes:
- Life** Notes:
- Litigation** Notes:
 - Defense** Notes:
 - Plaintiff** Notes:
- Structured Settlements** Notes:

 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY Notes:

- Computer Law** Notes:
- Copyright** Notes:
- Patent** Notes:
- Trademark** Notes:
- Litigation** Notes:
 - Defense** Notes:
 - Plaintiff** Notes:

 JUVENILE LAW EXPERIENCE PANEL

*Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists;
Others - additional certification is required for admission to this panel.*

- Juvenile Law (Child Welfare) Certified Specialist**
- Juvenile (300)** Notes:
- Juvenile (600)** Notes:

 LABOR / EMPLOYMENT LAW Notes:

- Civil Service** Notes:
- Discrimination (Age, Disability, Race, Sex)** Notes:
- Employers Rep Only** Notes:
 - Labor Board Hearings** Notes:
 - Other** Notes:
- Harassment (Sexual)** Notes:
- Pension & Retirement** Notes:
 - ERISA** Notes:
 - COBRA** Notes:

 Union Matters Notes: **Wrongful Termination** Notes: **Labor Board Hearings** Notes: **PERSONAL INJURY EXPERIENCE PANEL**

*Automatic qualification for Certified Specialists;
Others - additional certification is required for admission to this panel.*

- Legal Malpractice Law Certified Specialist** Notes:
- Legal Professional Liability Certified Specialist** Notes:
- Medical Professional Liability Certified Specialist**

Notes:

- Defense** Notes:
- Plaintiff** Notes:
- Asbestos** Notes:
- Assault / Battery** Notes:
- Automobile Accidents** Notes:
- Aviation Injury** Notes:
- Malpractice / Professional Liability:** Notes:
 - CPA** Notes:
 - Dental** Notes:
 - Legal** Notes:
 - Medical** Notes:
 - Psychiatric** Notes:
- Federal Employers' Liability Act (FELA)** Notes:
- Insurance Bad Faith** Notes:
- Motorcycle Accidents** Notes:
- Other Bodily Injuries (dog bites, slip-n-fall, etc.)**

Notes:

- Wrongful Death / Massive Injuries** Notes:
- Police Brutality, Misconduct & False Arrest** Notes:
- Product Liability** Notes:
- Slander / Defamation** Notes:

 REAL PROPERTY Notes:

- Condemnation** Notes:
- Contracts - General** Notes:
 - Non-disclosure** Notes:
 - Title Disputes** Notes:
 - Escrow** Notes:
- Foreclosure** Notes:
- Homeowners' Association/CC&Rs** Notes:
 - Associations** Notes:
 - Members** Notes:
- Land Use** Notes:
 - Boundaries** Notes:
 - Easements** Notes:
 - Zoning** Notes:
- Litigation** Notes:
 - Defense** Notes:
 - Plaintiff** Notes:

 LIMITED SCOPE REP (UNBUNDLED) – Real Estate

Additional application is required for this panel.

SECURITIES Notes: Arbitration Advice Notes: Litigation Notes: Defense Notes: Plaintiff Notes: SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY Notes: Certified Specialist TAXATION LAW Notes: Certified Specialist Audits, Tax Litigation Notes: Federal Notes: State Notes: Other Notes: WORKERS' COMPENSATION Notes: Certified Specialist Federal Notes: State Notes: Employer Notes: Employee Notes:**LEVEL 2** ANIMAL / DOG LAW Notes: CONSUMER Notes: Auto Dealer Fraud Notes: Auto Repair/Lemon Law Notes: Auto Repossessions Notes: Banking (disputes regarding accounts) Notes: Credit Matters Notes: Contract Disputes (miscellaneous) Notes: Fraud Notes: Fee Disputes with Attorneys Notes: Identity Theft Notes: Respond to a Summons re: Credit Card Debt Notes: Small Claims Court Advice Notes: Student Loans Notes: Other Notes: [LIMITED SCOPE REP \(UNBUNDLED\) – Consumer](#)*Additional application is required.* EMANCIPATION Notes: ENTERTAINMENT Notes: EQUESTRIAN Notes: GENDER CHANGE Notes: HEALTH CARE & HOSPITAL LAW Notes: LANDLORD Notes: Commercial Leases Notes: Evictions Notes: MILITARY LAW Notes: MUNICIPAL LAW Notes: NAME CHANGE Notes: NEIGHBOR DISPUTES Notes: Foliage Notes: PROPERTY DAMAGE Notes: STATE DISABILITY Notes: TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER - CIVIL Notes: TENANT Notes: Commercial Leases Notes: Discrimination Notes: Evictions Notes: Mobile Home Park Notes: UNEMPLOYMENT Notes: Federal Notes: State Notes: VETERANS Notes: VETERINARY MALPRACTICE Notes: WELFARE Notes:**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** My office schedules appointments for me. I schedule my own appointments.**I WILL CONSULT WITH LRIS CLIENTS:** By phone at the client's request After 5:00 p.m. On Saturdays My office is wheelchair accessible.**I WILL CONSIDER DOING A:** Jail Visit Hospital Visit Home Visit**LANGUAGES (other than English):** I am fluent in: A staff member is fluent in:**FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED:** In-person using a sign language interpreter service California Relay Services (TTD/TTY; VRS) Email**I HANDLE CASES AGAINST:** Contra Costa County Federal Government Municipalities State of California Other**INTERNATIONAL LAW:** I can see clients with the following types of situations. Please note the country.