



ERIE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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Please check one of the following membership categories for which you are eligible:

- ACTIVE - admitted to the practice of law with your primary place of employment or primary residence in Erie County, PA
ASSOCIATE - a) admitted to the practice of law but non-practicing, retired or a former Active member of the ECBA; or, b) a practicing attorney whose primary practice and primary residence is not in Erie County, PA
LAW STUDENT - currently enrolled in an ABA accredited law school or has not yet completed or received the results of the PA Bar Exam within one year of graduation from law school.

Name

PA Supreme Court ID #

Primary Place of Employment

Firm/Office/Company Name

Street Address

City, State and Zip

Phone # Ext. or Direct Dial # Fax #

Email Address

Website

Education/Court Admission/Practice

Law School Month/Year Graduated

Courts to which you are admitted Date of Admission

Are you a member in good standing with each of the above courts? Yes No

If no, indicate your current status with each court and give full details on an attached sheet.

Are you currently practicing law in Erie, PA? Yes No

If no, do you intend to and when?

Provide a brief description of the current make-up of your practice:

Do you practice in any other county other than Erie, PA? If so, please list each county and percentage of your practice there:

Are you employed FULL TIME by a state, federal or local government entity or agency? Yes No

JOIN AN ECBA PRACTICE SECTION

Content and goals of each Section are driven by the needs of that particular Section. They are designed to facilitate meaningful meetings among those with common practice-area interests, to share information of interest and to enhance your practice through built-in opportunities to network with your peers.

Membership in Practice Sections is FREE and will allow you to be part of the listserv, join meetings and to receive notification of all events and seminars specific to each section.

- Alternate Dispute Resolution
Bankruptcy
Civil Litigation
Criminal Practice
Estates and Trusts
Family Law
Municipal Law
Real Estate
Workers' Compensation

JOIN AN ECBA COMMITTEE

ECBA Committees are comprised of members who agree to complete a specific task. Members may request working on an many committees as they would like, as long as they agree to be an active participant

AKT 5K Run/Walk
Develops and organizes this annual event in cooperation with the Erie Runners Club; work at the event itself; assist with the fundraising that benefits the AKT Program.

Attorneys & Kids Together (AKT)
The ECBA's signature community project that supports the educational needs of students living in homeless situations. Committee members implement the good work of various programs within AKT for eligible students including KidKonnection (a well-organized group mentoring program), the Senior Project (providing yearbooks, prom attire & tickets, senior trip and banquet tickets, etc.) and distribution of book bags, school uniforms, and winter coats.

**PBA/CLE**

Are you a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association?  Yes  No  
 (Mandatory for "Active" members per ECBA Bylaws)

If no, do you agree to be added to PBA's membership and  
 invoiced for PBA dues by the ECBA?  Yes  No

PA CLE Compliance Group (if assigned)  1  2  3

**Personal Information** - the following information is for ECBA use only

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy) \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Residence City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Communication Preferences**

Members receive much of their information via Email. When/if a hard copy is also available, do you want to receive it?  Yes  No

My preferred mailing address for ECBA materials is (select one) -  Business  Home

My preferred Email address for ECBA communications is (select one) -  Business  Home

*I hereby apply for membership in the Erie County Bar Association of Erie, Pennsylvania and certify that the foregoing information is complete and correct and that I am in good standing with each court to which I am admitted.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

The Secretary of the Erie County Bar Association has made an investigation of the foregoing application and the application submitted is:  Approved  Disapproved

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 Secretary, Erie County Bar Association \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

**COMMITTEES CONTINUED**

Budget & Finance  
 Committee is comprised of members with significant financial background and knowledge (ex. attorneys who are also CPAs or have advanced degrees in tax and/or finance). Committee meets 2-3 times/year total to: review the ECBA's financial statements with the accountant, to make recommendations to the Board regarding investments and to finalize a draft of the upcoming year's budget for presentation to the Board and membership.

Fee Dispute  
 As a community service, committee members attempt to resolve disagreements over fees, without charge and without involvement of the Court. The process includes Mediation first, followed by arbitration if necessary. Arbitrators are those on the Fee Dispute Committee, assigned to panels by the Committee Chair

Judicial  
 Oversees the process for evaluating judicial candidates in both judicial elections and retentions

Law Day  
 Organizes this annual public luncheon, including reviewing/making recommendations for speakers; reviewing/making recommendations to the ECBA Board regarding nominations for Chancellor of the Bar and Liberty Bell recipients

Mock Trials  
 Facilitates and oversees local high school teams participating in the PBA Statewide Mock Trial Competition. Through the staging of simulated jury trials, students gain a better understanding of the legal profession and judicial system. Teams compete locally with winners advancing to regional, state and national competitions. Members of this committee serve as bailiffs and timekeepers on the days of the trials.

Personnel  
 Committee is comprised of labor & employment attorneys, ECBA Past Presidents and Board Members. The committee meets yearly to recommend ECBA staff salaries/benefits to the Budget Committee

Unauthorized Practice of Law  
 Committee convenes as needed to investigate allegations of the unauthorized practice of law by individuals not admitted to the practice and follows up as appropriate in each situation.

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*Serving the people of Erie for over 140 years*