



# North Carolina Bar Association Section Membership Application

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**Please type or print to complete this form. Call 919.677.0561 for assistance.**

## 1. Name and Contact Information (required)

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Email: \_\_\_\_\_ NCBA #: \_\_\_\_\_

NCBA Membership Type (choose one): I am a  Lawyer or Judge  Paralegal  Law Student

## 2. Select your Section membership(s) (required)

One Section is complimentary. Each additional Section is \$36.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Law                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Government & Public Sector           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust & Complex Business Disputes         | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Law                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appellate Practice                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Law                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual Property Law            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Law                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> International Practice               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Constitutional Rights & Responsibilities      | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Justice & Children’s Rights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Law                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Labor & Employment Law               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Counsel                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Litigation                           |
| <small>(Membership is limited to full-time, in-house counsel.)</small> | <input type="checkbox"/> Military & Veterans Law              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Justice                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Privacy & Data Security              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dispute Resolution                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Property                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education Law                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Firm & Technology              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elder & Special Needs Law                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports & Entertainment               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environment, Energy & Natural Resources Law   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estate Planning & Fiduciary Law               | <input type="checkbox"/> Workers’ Compensation                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning, Planning & Land Use          |

## 3. Payment and Signature (required)

I hereby make an official application to Section membership in the North Carolina Bar Association.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total: \$**\_\_\_\_\_  **Check** (Payable to NCBA) **Credit Card:**  Visa  Mastercard  AMEX  Discover

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for choosing to be an NCBA member!** Please return completed form and payment to:  
NCBA Member Services | 8000 Weston Parkway, Cary, NC 27513 | or | [membership@ncbar.org](mailto:membership@ncbar.org)

**Administrative Law** | Represents the interests of lawyers who represent and practice before state and local regulatory boards and commissions, the Office of Administrative Hearings and occupational licensing boards. Also addresses matters related to the regulatory rulemaking process.

**Antitrust & Complex Business Disputes Law** | Deals with issues relating to antitrust law, unfair and deceptive trade practices, trade regulation and consumer protection. Newsletter highlights recent cases affecting members' areas of interest.

**Appellate Practice** | Brings together association members who have a special interest in appellate practice, provide networking and educational opportunities in appellate practice, and promotes excellence in North Carolina's appellate courts.

**Bankruptcy** | Promotes networking and education for practitioners in all areas of bankruptcy practice, both business and consumer areas, and among members who practice in the three federal bankruptcy districts. The ListManager provides valuable discussion of bankruptcy issues faced by members.

**Business Law** | Provides information practice tools and member activities related to business law practice. Proposes and monitors changes to state business laws and regulations.

**Constitutional Rights & Responsibilities** | Provides forum for all practice areas interested in issues relating to constitutional law. Goal is to increase public awareness of the Constitution.

**Construction Law** | Addresses issues concerning public and private contracting, mechanics' liens and bonds, development, insurance and claims, construction defects, OSHA compliance and subcontracting.

**Corporate Counsel** | Membership in the Corporate Counsel Section is limited to full-time, in-house counsel and paralegals. Sponsors three regional luncheon meetings each year in the Triad, Charlotte and the Triangle, annual meeting with CLE designed for in-house counsel, and less formal "no-speaker" networking lunches.

**Criminal Justice** | Represents the interests of all lawyers who participate in the criminal justice system, whether defense attorney, prosecutor or member of the judiciary. Promotes civility, professionalism and the highest ethical standards in the practice of criminal law; serves as a vehicle for meaningful dialogue among prosecutors, the defense bar and the judiciary on topics of importance to criminal law.

**Dispute Resolution** | Addresses issues that are relevant to both mediation and arbitration. Acts as a resource for practicing mediators and arbitrators as well as attorneys who utilize alternative dispute resolution processes in and related to courts as well as in the context of business transactional matters.

**Education Law** | Promotes education of and networking among attorneys serving schools K-12 and colleges, administrators, employees, faculty and students. Broad coverage of legal perspectives including state and federal law and regulation, student issues, employment, board representation and other topics of interest to school systems, institutions of higher education, their personnel and students.

**Elder & Special Needs Law** | Addresses such issues as care management and correct placement for disabled adults requiring long-term care; Medicaid and Special Assistance eligibility for nursing home and assisted living; Medicare claims and appeals; Veterans' benefits; Medicaid estate recovery; private payment options such as long-term care insurance; special needs trusts; planning for families with disabled children; guardianship law; advance directives and end-of-life decision-making; and mental capacity issues.

**Environment, Energy & Natural Resources Law** | Provides the only ongoing forum in the state for collegial interaction among all three sectors, boasting significant numbers of environmental lawyers (private, public and nonprofit).

**Estate Planning & Fiduciary Law** | Addresses issues of interest to attorneys engaging in estate planning and trust and estate administration. Promotes public awareness of estate planning and administration issues and the role of attorneys in these fields.

**Family Law** | The Family Law Section promotes improvements in family law practice and jurisprudence by legislative changes, legal education, practice guides, pro bono legal services and mentoring programs. It is a leader in CLE seminars, quality newsletters with case updates and articles for practitioners, and a List-Serve for practice aid and discussion. Best of all is a great party at the Family Section Annual Meeting. Participation is rewarding.

**Government & Public Sector** | Promotes the interests and practice of law by attorneys and paralegals employed by local, state or federal government and by those in private practice who represent public agencies. Members include attorneys employed in executive/administrative agency as well as those serving in legislative and judicial positions.

**Health Law** | Addresses legal issues related to health care including health care regulation of individual and institutional providers, medical liability and health insurance. Co-publishes Prognosis newsletter with the N.C. Society of Health Care Attorneys.

**Insurance Law** | Brings together NCBA members who have a primary interest to inform all lawyers interested in the field of insurance law of the current and significant developments in that area.

**Intellectual Property Law** | Affiliate membership is offered to patent agents. Subject matter committees examine patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret, international IP, licensing, and other areas of intellectual property.

**International Practice** | Serves as an educational, legislative and networking resource for practitioners engaged in cross border issues and international affairs. Plans and organizes both outbound and inbound attorney exchange delegations. Reviews current developments in political and trade-related entities, monitors state and federal laws and regulations and makes recommendations where appropriate.

**Juvenile Justice & Children's Rights** | Provides networking with attorneys and advocacy organizations interested in protecting the rights of children in all areas of the law affecting children including domestic, juvenile court and education.

**Labor & Employment Law** | Serves as an educational and networking resource for lawyers involved in a broad spectrum of employment law representation, also provides input on legislative and ethical matters affecting employers, employees, and counsel. Members include attorneys representing management, employees, and labor unions, plus representatives from various government entities and in-house counsel.

**Law Practice Management & Technology** | Provides resources and business training for all aspects of individual and firm practice management including technology, marketing, HR and financial management for firms of all sizes. Affiliate membership is open to non-lawyer firm administrators and law librarians.

**Litigation** | Includes those who have a substantial portion of their practice in civil litigation. The section takes the lead in addressing changes in the rules of civil procedure, the ethics rules and other statutes affecting civil litigation. The council, consisting of both plaintiff and defense attorneys, seeks to achieve a balanced approach to issues affecting litigation.

**Military & Veterans Law** | Brings together NCBA members and affiliates who have a special interest in military law or veteran-focused legal services. Serves as a coordinating body for NCBA activities and initiative impacting military and veterans.

**Privacy & Data Security** | Serves lawyers who practice in the areas of privacy and data security law. The Section is concerned primarily with bringing together members of the NCBA with a special interest in privacy and data security law practice, and furthering the development of the law in these fields.

**Real Property** | Drafts, monitors and comments upon state and federal proposed legislation and regulations affecting real property practice; monitors and comments upon State Bar ethics inquiries; sponsors and participates in pro bono projects; provides variety of CLE programs; conducts aggressive consumer protection/authorized practice program; hosts active electronic discussion list; periodically updates and republishes forms book; and oversees NCBA copyrighted real property forms.

**Small Firm & Technology** | Serves the needs of small and solo firms and general practitioners, publishes General Practice Deskbook and Habitat for Humanity Forms Book. Sponsors a variety of initiatives designed to enhance one's practice and promote professionalism.

**Sports & Entertainment** | Includes lawyers who represent sports and entertainment clients, who serve as counsel to organizations engaged in the multi-billion dollars sports and entertainment industry and who wish to broaden their practices to include the sports and entertainment area. The section provides expertise to its members on the NHL, NFL, MLS, WUSA, Motor Sports, Olympic Sports, Professional Tennis and Golf, NCAA, Music, Film, Theater, Publishing and Television industries.

**Tax** | Offers a wide variety of programs on tax issues and engages in tax policy, tax pro bono projects, and tax legislative projects (in each case, with a focus on North Carolina state and local tax issues). The section meets annually with the North Carolina Department of Revenue and IRS representatives located in North Carolina.

**Workers' Compensation** | Plaintiff and defense attorneys and the Industrial Commission are represented on the council and all perspectives are addressed in the newsletter. The section appoints a representative to meet periodically with the Industrial Commission to review issues of interest to members.

**Zoning, Planning & Land Use** | Includes attorneys in private and local governmental practice who routinely handle matters related to land use, zoning, zoning litigation, and environmental regulations affecting the development of land.