



**LRIS**

**The  
Lawyer Referral &  
Information Service**

**2010 - 2011**

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**Application  
and  
Panel Selections**



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# Please Note!

- 1) **There is a 24 month active practice requirement to join.**  
To be eligible to join LRIS, you must have been in active practice as an attorney licensed under Maine Law for at least 24 months, and be in good standing with the Maine Board of Overseers of the Bar at the time of application.
  
- 2) **Each LRIS membership is for the named attorney only.**  
Membership is based on the information and experience certified by the individual applicant, and does not extend to firms. LRIS Standards & Rules do allow referrals to be transferred within a firm *after the initial consultation by the member attorney* subject to certain conditions regarding reporting, remittals, and formal responsibility (*see Standards & Rules.*)
  
- 3) **Each LRIS dues payment is for a single office location.**  
If you have a second office from which you personally practice, *and* you would like both office locations and geographic practice areas to come up in panel rotations please include second office information and additional membership fee.

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## 2010 - 2011 Application Mailing Checklist

- This Application Checklist
- Application and Panel Selections  
Page 1 through Page 8, checked, signed and dated
- Experience Panel Applications, as applicable
  - Civil Appeals
  - ADR/Mediation
  - Civil Rights Law
  - Family Law
  - Family Medical Leave Act
  - Employment Law
  - Medical Malpractice
  - Social Security Law
- Proof of Insurance
- Membership Dues \*
  - 1 Office - \$75 if you are already an MSBA member  
\$100 for non-member
  - 2 Offices - \$150 for MSBA member  
\$300 if non-member

Check# \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

**OR Credit Card:**

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

\* If your check or credit card payment is intended to cover membership applications for two or more attorneys in your firm, please note the last names of all attorneys covered by dues payment, and include a complete application packet for each attorney.



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Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Passed Maine Bar (year) \_\_\_\_\_

Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Office**

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Staff Person Name \_\_\_\_\_ Staff E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Secondary Office**

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Staff Person Name \_\_\_\_\_ Staff E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*See back of page for Additional Information*

## What We Make Public

Callers frequently ask us for information about the attorneys to whom we make referrals. **We do not make recommendations for or give personal opinions about any of our members.** We do disclose, when asked, post-graduate and law degrees, the year a member passed the bar, and the areas of law in which a member is enrolled with us.

## Regarding Fees

**We do not give specific rates for specific attorneys, firms, or types of legal services.** Clients often would like to get an idea of what legal services cost, however, so we do quote them parameters for Maine lawyers in general, as estimated from information from members held confidentially by the service.

For purposes of this estimate,  
please indicate your average hourly rate. \_\_\_\_\_

In order to facilitate entering your data into our system, \_\_\_\_\_  
please put your first initial and last name here on each page

## Panel Selections 2010 - 2011

### PART ONE - Practice Options

I am willing to provide the following:

- AAHV  home/nursing home visits  
AAWA  weekend or evening appointments

- In addition to Maine, I am licensed to practice in \_\_\_\_\_  
 In addition to English, I speak the following language(s) fluently enough to serve clients who speak this language exclusively. \_\_\_\_\_

### PART TWO - Courts of Jurisdiction

In addition to Maine State District, Superior, and Supreme Courts, I also practice:

- FLIT  Litigation in Federal Courts  
FTPA  Tribal Court - Pasamaquoddy  
FTPB  Tribal Court - Penobscot  
FTMM  Tribal Court - Micmac

### PART THREE - Geography of Practice

I will accept cases and clients in the following counties:

- |                                       |                                    |                                      |                                    |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Androscoggin | <input type="checkbox"/> Aroostook | <input type="checkbox"/> Cumberland  | <input type="checkbox"/> Franklin  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hancock      | <input type="checkbox"/> Kennebec  | <input type="checkbox"/> Knox        | <input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oxford       | <input type="checkbox"/> Penobscot | <input type="checkbox"/> Piscataquis | <input type="checkbox"/> Sagadahoc |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Somerset     | <input type="checkbox"/> Waldo     | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington  | <input type="checkbox"/> York      |

### PART FOUR - Areas of Law

Please check only those areas of law in which you have experience and would like to receive referrals.

- LITIGATION** - We are not always able to tell from our conversations with callers if their issues may require litigation or not. However, for those callers specifically requesting litigation attorneys, or presenting issues that frequently lead to litigation, will add Litigation to our referral criteria .  
If you practice litigation, please check the box to the left of this paragraph.

#### Pro Se/Unbundled Law

- UNPS  Various, in conjunction with other panels  
UNSC  Pro Se/Small Claims Assistance

#### Admiralty Law

- WPIS  Personal Injury on Ship or Boat      WCOM  Commercial

#### Banking, Bankruptcy and Garnishment of Wages

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| BKPD <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Bankruptcy - rep. Debtor   | BKPC <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Bankruptcy - rep. Creditor   |
| BKCD <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Bankruptcy - rep. Debtor | BKCC <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Bankruptcy - rep. Creditor |
| BKGR <input type="checkbox"/> Garnishment of Wages                | BAFC <input type="checkbox"/> Foreclosure Action                    |
| BAFC <input type="checkbox"/> Unauthorized Withdrawal/Checks      | BSBR <input type="checkbox"/> Banking Rules for Customer            |

## Administrative Law

- |      |                          |                                   |      |                          |                              |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| ADCT | <input type="checkbox"/> | Before City or Town Government    | ADSA | <input type="checkbox"/> | State Agencies               |
| ADDL | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dept. Labor                       | ADSB | <input type="checkbox"/> | State Licensing Boards       |
| ADFA | <input type="checkbox"/> | Federal Agencies                  | ADUC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Unemployment Compensation    |
| ADFB | <input type="checkbox"/> | Federal Licensing Boards          | ADVB | <input type="checkbox"/> | Veterans Benefits            |
| ADHP | <input type="checkbox"/> | Representing Health Care Provider | ADWF | <input type="checkbox"/> | Federal Workers Compensation |
| ADHS | <input type="checkbox"/> | DHS Affairs                       | ADMV | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dept. Motor Vehicles         |
| ADMP | <input type="checkbox"/> | Representing Medical Professional | ADOT | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dept. of Transportation      |
| ADMN | <input type="checkbox"/> | Workers Compensation - NH         |      |                          |                              |
| ADWM | <input type="checkbox"/> | Workers Compensation - ME         |      |                          |                              |

## Business Law

- |      |                          |                                      |      |                          |                                    |
|------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| BSBR | <input type="checkbox"/> | Banking Rules/for Customer           | BSLC | <input type="checkbox"/> | LLC and Partnerships               |
| BSFD | <input type="checkbox"/> | Forming/Dissolving Partnerships      | BSNP | <input type="checkbox"/> | Non-Profit Start-Up                |
| BSIB | <input type="checkbox"/> | Internet Business/for Business       | BSSS | <input type="checkbox"/> | Stocks, Securities and Commodities |
| BSIT | <input type="checkbox"/> | International Trade/Bus. Regulations | BSSU | <input type="checkbox"/> | Business Start-Up and Organization |
| BSCR | <input type="checkbox"/> | Commercial Landlord/Tenant           | BSVS | <input type="checkbox"/> | Disputes with Vendors/Suppliers    |

## Consumer Law

- |      |                          |                              |      |                          |                     |      |                          |                               |
|------|--------------------------|------------------------------|------|--------------------------|---------------------|------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| CNCC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Credit Card Disputes         | CNCH | <input type="checkbox"/> | Creditor Harassment | CNCI | <input type="checkbox"/> | Construction Issues           |
| CNRH | <input type="checkbox"/> | Refusal to Honor Warranty    | CNLL | <input type="checkbox"/> | Lemon Law           | CNPR | <input type="checkbox"/> | Predatory Lending             |
| CNCM | <input type="checkbox"/> | Collecting Money Owed        | CNPL | <input type="checkbox"/> | Product Liability   | CNCR | <input type="checkbox"/> | Car Repair Dispute            |
| CNDC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Defending Against Collection | CNTM | <input type="checkbox"/> | Toxic Mold          | CNUT | <input type="checkbox"/> | Unfair Trade Practices        |
| CNSL | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Loan Issues          | CNPH | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pharmacy Error      | CNHV | <input type="checkbox"/> | HIPAA Violations              |
| CNPM | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pharm/Med. Product Liability | CNIT | <input type="checkbox"/> | Identity Theft      | CNCU | <input type="checkbox"/> | Unauth. Withdrawal/<br>Checks |

## Criminal & Traffic

- |      |                          |                             |      |                          |  |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------|--------------------------|--|
| CRAL | <input type="checkbox"/> | Appeals                     | CRBP | <input type="checkbox"/> | Bail Hearings or Pleadings             |
| CROU | <input type="checkbox"/> | OUI/DUI                     | CRDS | <input type="checkbox"/> | Criminal in District or Superior Court |
| CRTV | <input type="checkbox"/> | CRIMINAL Traffic Violations | CRDR | <input type="checkbox"/> | Drug Charges                           |
| CRJV | <input type="checkbox"/> | Criminal - Juvenile         | CREX | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pardons and Vacating Convictions       |
| CRSO | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sexual Offender List Issues | CRFW | <input type="checkbox"/> | Fish & Wildlife Charges                |
| CRLB | <input type="checkbox"/> | Log Book Violations         | CRIM | <input type="checkbox"/> | Issues Re Impounded Possessions        |
|      |                          |                             | CRPV | <input type="checkbox"/> | Parole and Probation Issues            |
| CVTV | <input type="checkbox"/> | CIVIL Traffic Violations    | CRAC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Animal Cruelty and Abuse               |

**for CIVIL APPEALS and CIVIL RIGHTS Law**  
**see Experience Panel Section ➡➡➡**

## Education Law

- |      |                          |                             |      |                          |                                 |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| EDHE | <input type="checkbox"/> | Higher Education Issues     | EDSC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Before School Committee         |
| EDRT | <input type="checkbox"/> | Representing Teachers       | EDRS | <input type="checkbox"/> | Representing Students           |
| EDRA | <input type="checkbox"/> | Representing Administrators | EDSN | <input type="checkbox"/> | Special Needs/Special Education |

**Elder Law**

- ELMA  Mainecare - Fair Hearing/ Appeals
- ELMC  Medicare
- ELPA  Powers of Attorney
- ELTP  Transfer of Property/Improvident Transfer

- ELME  IMainecare - Eligibility/Longterm Planning
- ELNH  Nursing Home Resident Rights
- ELSN  Special Needs Trusts

**Environmental Law - *defense only***

- EVAS  Asbestos
- EVEP  before EPA
- EVIW  Industrial Waste
- EVPS  Pesticides
- EVDP  before DEP
- EVFW  Farm Waste
- EVLO  Land Fill/Oil Storage
- EVRA  Radon

*for EMPLOYMENT Law*  
*see Experience Panel Section* ➡➡➡

**Immigration Law**

- IMAS  Asylum
- IMDD  Deportation and Detention Issues
- IMEM  Immigration based on Employment
- IMFA  Immigration based on Family
- IMMI  Miscellaneous
- IMNC  Naturalization and Citizenship

*for FAMILY Law*  
*see Experience Panel Section* ➡➡➡

**Intellectual Property**

- INCL  Copyright/Literary Rights
- INI  Internet Issues
- INCM  Copyright/Music
- INTM  Trademark
- INPA  Patent

**Landlord/Tenant Law**

**representing LANDLORD**

- LTLM  Mobile Home/Campground
- LTLA  Issues with Tenants Association

- LTLO  Other - Landlord
- LTLM  Eviction/Landlord
- LTWL  Warrant of Habitability for Landlord

**representing TENANT**

- LTTM  Mobile Pk/Campground/Tenant
- LTTA  For Tenants Association for Tenant

- LTTO  Other/Tenant
- LTTE  Eviction/Tenant
- LTWH  Warrant of Habitability for Tenant

## Maine State Retirement

MSRI  Maine State Retirement Issue

MSDI  Maine State Disability Issues

*for MEDICAL MALPRACTICE Law  
see Experience Panel Section ➡➡➡*

## Military Law

MIFP  Federal Proceedings

MIFI  Military Family Issues

MIAH  Administrative Hearings

MIPH  Rights of Military Personnel and Heirs

## Order for Protection - Non-Family

OPFA  PFA Abuse

OPFH  PFHarrassment

## Probate

PADT  Adoption

PAED  Administration Estate of Deceased Person

PLTE  Litigation of Wills, Trusts, and Estates

PRET  Estate Planning for Pets

PSPI  Surrogate Parent Issues

PWTE  Preparation of Wills, Trusts and Estates

PINC  Providing for Incapacitated Adult

PTPT  Third Party Trusts

PRMH  Mental Health Issues

PCON  Conservatorship

PGAL  Guardian Ad Litem

PGRD  Guardianship

PRIC  Involuntary Commitment

## Real Estate

RLKE  Like Kind Exchange

RCBT  Commercial/Business Transactions

RCON  Condominiums (purchase/sale)

RDWC  Dispute with Contractor

RLUC  ME Land Use Regs (LURC)

RL0D  Litigation re Ownership Dispute

RPAR  Partitioning of Property

RCHR  Organising or Representing Condo, Homeowners, or Road Association

RCHD  Representing Individual in Dispute with Condo, Homeowners, or Road Association

REML  Mechanics Lien

RPBD  Possession or Boundary Dispute

RPSC  Purchase or Sale, Commercial

RPSR  Purchase or Sale, Residential

RZBD  Zoning Board Dispute

RERW  Roads, Easements & Rights of Way

RPPP  Permitting and Planning

*for SOCIAL SECURITY Law  
see Experience Panel Section ➡➡➡*

### Transactional Law

- TLDI  Denial of Insurance Claims
- TLCL  Contracts
- TLNA  Non-Compete Agreements
- TLPA  Representation of Performance Artists

### Tax Law

- TXB  Business Tax Issues
- TXI  Income Tax Issues
- TXP  Property Tax Issues

### Tort Law: Recovery

- TTRAC  Auto Collision
- TTRAS  PI - Asbestos
- TTRDS  Defamation, Slander
- TTRLM  Legal Malpractice
- TTRPD  Property Damage
- TTRPI  PI - Miscellaneous
- TTRPT  Property Damage - Pet Care
- TTRSA  PI - Sexual Assault/Abuse
- TTRPR  PD- Return of Property
- TTRLU  PD- Loss of Use
- TTRMP  PI - Claims Against Maine Corrections/Fed. Bur. Prisons

### Defense

- TTDAC  Auto Collision
- TTDAS  PI - Asbestos
- TTDDS  Defamation, Slander
- TTDLM  Legal Malpractice
- TTDPD  Property Damage
- TTDPI  PI - Miscellaneous
- TTDPT  Property Damage - Pet Care
- TTDSA  PI - Sexual Assault/Abuse

## Certification of Information

### I certify that:

- 1) I am in good standing with the Maine Board of Overseers of the Bar, licensed to practice Maine law, and have been in practice for at least 24 months;
- 2) I understand that this application and membership fee qualifies me **personally** to receive referrals from the Lawyer Referral and Information Service, and does not in any way qualify other members of my firm to conduct initial consultations with LRIS callers referred to me;
- 3) I am experienced in all of the areas of law I have selected for referrals;
- 4) I carry \$100,000 in professional liability insurance, or as otherwise required if registering on an Exp. Panel;
- 5) I understand that LRIS staff will make every effort to make referrals as appropriately as possible without staff making judgments that may be construed as practicing law without a license;
- 6) I agree to refer all LRIS callers back to the service for referral to another member if for any reason I am not able to serve them;
- 7) If I believe a referral has been made inappropriately, I will personally discuss the issue with Service staff; an
- 8) I agree to identify all LRIS cases according to the requirements in Section 3.2.1, and to inform LRIS as to the disposition of the case should I leave the firm or the practice of law.
- 9) I have read the LRIS Standards & Rules and agree to abide by them.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

# New Member Survey

1) What was the purpose of your becoming a member of LRIS? If you had more than one purpose, please note them all, with the most important first.

2) What do you understand the purpose of LRIS to be? If you think there are multiple purposes, indicate which is most important.

3) What sources of information formed your impression of LRIS? Check all that apply.

- Talk with other member attorneys.
- Ads and articles in the Bar Journal and Supplement
- Talk with the Director or any of the MSBA staff
- Seeing LRIS ad materials in public places.
- Reading the material on the LRIS website
- Other

*Thank you.*

# **Experience Panels Applications**

**2010 - 2011**

**ADR/Mediation**

**Civil Appeals**

**Civil Rights Law**

**Family Law**

**Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)**

**Employment Litigation**

**Medical Malpractice**

**Social Security Law**



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Alternative Dispute Resolution and Mediation

Scope: The Lawyer Referral and Information Service offers membership on its ADR panel only to those attorneys who have satisfied all the requirements set by the CADRES (Court Alternate Dispute Resolution Services) for acceptance onto the Maine State Judicial Branch ADR rosters.

Please attach proof of active listing on the State of Maine ADR rosters for any of the following areas.

- XADR  Domestic Relations Mediation Roster
- XAGC  General Civil Litigation Mediation Roster
- XALU  Land Use/Environmental/Natural Gas Pipeline Mediation Roster
- XANE  Superior Court Early Neutral Evaluation Roster
- XASA  Superior Court Arbitration Roster
- XASC  Small Claims Mediation Roster
- XASM  Superior Court Mediation Roster

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### Certification of Information

I certify that I meet all requirements for participation on the Lawyer Referral and Information Service ADR/Mediation Experience Panel, as set forth above.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Civil Rights Experience Panel

Scope of the panel: members of this panel are accomplished attorneys who have sufficient training and experience to competently represent clients in civil rights litigation, including constitutional and statutory claims involving government entities and employees. This panel does not include private claims against private parties under state or federal law.

1. **Litigation experience** (must satisfy 3 of the 6 alternatives)

- (a) Actively participated at trial of at least 2 civil rights cases;
- (b) Actively participated in dispositive motions in at least 3 civil rights cases;
- (c) Argued at least one appeal in a civil rights case;
- (d) Negotiated a final resolution of at least 3 civil rights cases in the past 5 years;
- (e) Personally tried at least 2 civil cases to conclusion in either Superior Court or U.S. District Court;
- (f) Successfully handled 2 or more motions to suppress involving constitutional issues.

2. **Legal Education** (must satisfy 1 of 3 alternatives)

- (a) Attended at least 20 hours of CLE on civil rights topics in the past 10 years;
- (b) Served on the faculty of a CLE seminar on civil rights topics;
- (c) Authored 1 or more published articles on civil rights topics.

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### Criteria Documentation

1. **Litigation experience** (must satisfy 3 of the 6 alternatives)

a) Actively participated at trial of at least 2 civil rights cases;

	Case Name	Docket Number
1		
2		

(b) Actively participated in dispositive motions in at least 3 civil rights cases;

	Case Name	Docket Number
1		
2		
3		

(c) Argued at least one appeal in a civil rights case

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Docket Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

	Case Name	Docket Number
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	Case Name	Docket Number
1		
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	Case Name	Docket Number
1		
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**2. Legal Education** (must satisfy 1 of 3 alternatives)

(a) Attended at least 20 hours of CLE on civil rights topics in the past 10 years;

	CLE TITLE	DATE	CREDITS
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Served on the faculty of a CLE seminar on civil rights topics;

Seminar Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Authored 1 or more published articles on civil rights topics. (Attach copies)

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## Certification of Information

I certify that I meet all requirements for participation on the Lawyer Referral and Information Service *Civil Rights Experience Panel*, as set forth above.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**SELECT** sub-categories:

### Civil Rights Law

- XCAD  ADA Matters
- XCCE  Contesting Election
- XFFA  First Amendment Issues
- XCDH  Discrimination in Housing or Services
- XCPG  Against Police/Governmental Agency
- XCPR  Prisoner's Rights
- XCPT  Patient Rights



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Family Law Experience Panel

Scope: Members of this panel are accomplished attorneys who have sufficient training and experience to competently represent clients in Family law matters involving actions for divorce and to establish paternity and parental rights and responsibilities, including post-judgment actions in these areas, as evidenced by:

### Family Law Experience Panel Criteria

#### I. General Practice & Litigation Experience

✓ Satisfy 2 requirements

- Active practice for at least 5 years — Since \_\_\_\_\_.
- Served as lead counsel in 8 cases of any sort in Maine and/or Fed. Court within last 5 years.
- Participated in Fed. Court summary judgment or argued one appeal within last 5 years.
- Completed CASA training within the last 10 years – Year \_\_\_\_\_.
- Prepared documents and assisted in family law filings, not necessarily to resolution, for 10 cases in last 5 years.

#### II. Family Law Specific Experience

✓ satisfy *either a or b*

- a) Actively participated in 1 Family Law case brought to trial which involved parental rights and responsibilities and/or property or equitable distribution issues within last 5 years.

Fill In:

Case Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Docket: \_\_\_\_\_ Court: \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

- b) Negotiated a final resolution of 5 Family Law cases in last 5 years, three of which involved parental rights and responsibilities and/or property or equitable distribution issues.

**Attach list.**

#### III. Education

✓ Satisfy only 1 of 3 requirements

- a) Attended at least 15 CLE hours on Family Law in past 10 years

**Attach list with seminar titles, years, and credits.**

- b) Served on faculty of 2 CLE seminars on Family Law topics

**Attach list with seminar titles, session title, and year.**

**(Over for Certification and Panel Selection)**



Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Experience Panel

Scope: Members of this panel are accomplished attorneys who have sufficient training and experience to competently represent clients in Family Medical Leave Act cases which may have been previewed by the Federal Department of Labor and directed to MSBA LRIS per the participation of this service in a program created in collaboration with the American Bar Association, and including only ABA-approved referral services, in order to give citizens access to local legal consultation and/or representation in cases with possible merit. Participation criteria for this panel fulfill the requirements put forth by the DOL.

### FMLA Experience Panel Criteria

#### I. General Practice & Litigation Experience

✓ Satisfy 1 of following requirements:

a) The attorney has represented employees in **at least five cases** asserting claims arising under the Family Medical Leave Act (29 U.S.C. §2601, et. seq.) in the past five years (***List on reverse side***):

OR

b) The attorney has served at least two years as a lawyer for the United States Department of Labor or the State of Maine Department of Labor, and certifies that the attorney has been closely involved as counsel in multiple claims substantively involving the federal Family Medical Leave Act. (***Identify position and location on reverse side.***)

#### II. FMLA Specific Continuing Education

The attorney has attended a CLE course in employment law for at least three credits in the past two years **and** agrees to continue during the Course of panel membership to earn a minimum of three CLE credits from attendance at employment law courses every two years, providing POA as requested.

#### Fill In and Attach Proof of Attendance:

CLE Event & Producer: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### III. Access to Necessary Resources

✓ must indicate access to all listed below:

- Family Medical Leave Act (29 U.S.C. §2601, et. seq.;
- 29 CFR Part 825;
- U.S. Department of Labor FMLA Opinion Letters; and
- Relevant federal case law.

Complete Reverse Side ➡

The attorney has represented employees in **at least five cases** asserting claims arising under the Family Medical Leave Act (29 U.S.C. §2601, et. seq.) in the past five years.

Docket Number	Court	Year
1)	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____
4)	_____	_____
5)	_____	_____

**OR**

The attorney has served at least two years as a lawyer for the United States Department of Labor or the State of Maine Department of Labor, and certifies that the attorney has been closely involved as counsel in multiple claims substantively involving the federal Family Medical Leave Act.

Position	Government Department	Dates: From - To
1)	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____

Certification of close involvement in multiple claims substantively involving FMLA.

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

## Certification of Information

I certify that I meet all requirements for participation on the Lawyer Referral and Information Service *Family Medical Leave Act Experience Panel* as set forth above.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

XDOL  DOL FMLA Act for Employee

## Employment Law Experience Panel

Scope of panel: members of this panel are accomplished attorneys who have sufficient training and experience to competently represent employers or employees in litigation involving employee benefits, termination issues, workplace discrimination claims, and government employment. The panelists do not necessarily have expertise on collective bargaining issues, union representation, E.R.I.S.A. or other highly specific employment matters.

### Experience (must satisfy 2 requirements in each category)

#### General Practice and Litigation

- a) Must have been in active practice for five years
- b) Actively litigated in 8 cases of any sort in Maine and/or Federal Courts
- c) Participated in Federal Court summary judgment *or* argued one appeal

#### Employment Law Specific Experience

- d) Actively participated in 1 Employment Law case brought to trial
- e) Negotiated a final resolution of 2 Employment Law cases in last 5 years
- f) Pursued or defended a charge of employment discrimination before Maine Human Rights Commission in at least 3 cases, with at least 1 personal appearance

### Education (must satisfy 1 of the 3 requirements)

- a) Attended at least 10 hours of CLE on Employment Law in past 10 years
- b) Served on faculty of 2 CLE seminars on Employment Law topic
- c) Authored 3 or more published articles on Employment Law topic

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### Criteria Documentation

**Experience: Must satisfy 2 requirements in BOTH of the Experience sub-categories**

#### Sub-category I: General Practice and Litigation

- a) Actively practiced law for 5 or more years, since \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Actively litigated in 8 cases of any sort in Maine and/or Federal Courts - list cases:

Docket Number

1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

5 \_\_\_\_\_

6 \_\_\_\_\_

7 \_\_\_\_\_

8 \_\_\_\_\_

- c) Participated in Federal Court summary judgment *or* argued one appeal:

1 \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Sub-category II: Experience Specific to Employment Law (must satisfy 2 of 3)**

d) Actively Participated in 1 Employment Law case brought to trial

Docket # \_\_\_\_\_

e) Negotiated to final resolution 2 Employment Law cases in last 5 years

Case \_\_\_\_\_ Docket # \_\_\_\_\_

Case \_\_\_\_\_ Docket # \_\_\_\_\_

f) Pursued or defended a charge of employment discrimination before Maine Human Rights Commission in at least 3 cases, with at least 1 personal appearance

Case \_\_\_\_\_ Docket # \_\_\_\_\_ Appearance

Case \_\_\_\_\_ Docket # \_\_\_\_\_ Appearance

Case \_\_\_\_\_ Docket # \_\_\_\_\_ Appearance

**Education (must satisfy 1 of the 3 below)**

a) Attended at least 10 hours of CLE on Employment Law in past 10 years

	Seminar Title	Date	Credits
1	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____
4	_____	_____	_____
5	_____	_____	_____
6	_____	_____	_____
7	_____	_____	_____

b) Served on faculty of 2 CLE seminars on Employment Law topic

	Seminar Title	Location	Date
1	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____

c) Authored 3 or more published articles on Employment Law topic

**Attach copies**, with journal name and publication date.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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## Certification of Information

I certify that I meet all requirements for participation on the Lawyer Referral and Information Service *Employment Law Experience Panel*, as set forth above.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

SELECT sub-categories below:

### Employment Law

#### Representing **EMPLOYEES**

- XEDS  Discrimination
- XENC  Non-Compete Agreements - Disputes
- XERR  ERISA, Retirement Benefits, Pensions
- XESH  Sexual Harassment
- XETN  Termination - Non-Union
- XETU  Termination - Union
- XEUE  Unemployment Issues
- XEUR  Union Representation Problems
- XEWB  Whistle Blowers Act for Employee

#### Representing **EMPLOYER**

- XRDS  Discrimination
- XRER  ERISA, Retirement Benefits, Pensions
- XRSH  Sexual Harassment
- XRUR  Termination - Non-Union
- XRTN  Termination - Union
- XRTU  Unemployment Issues
- XRUE  Union Representation Problems
- XEWE  Whistle Blowers Act for Employer



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## Medical Malpractice Experience Panel

Scope of the panel: members of this panel are highly accomplished trial attorneys who have sufficient training, experience, and resources to competently represent clients in medical malpractice litigation.

**1. Litigation experience** (3 of 4 criteria must be met):

- (a) Handled 2 or more cases through the medical malpractice screening panels in the past 5 years;
- (b) Tried to jury verdict at least 1 medical malpractice case **or** other personal injury cases in the past 5 years;
- (c) Litigated through discovery at least 10 medical malpractice **or** other personal injury cases in the last 5 years; **or**
- (d) Served as panel member on a pre-litigation screening panel.

**2. Variance:**

An applicant lacking in any element of the criteria in Section 1 may request a variance from the criteria by submitting to the LRIS Committee a written request which explains how other experience demonstrates satisfactory command of this complex area of litigation. An application for variance must be submitted to the Executive Director of LRIS who shall present it for consideration of the committee to determine applicant's eligibility.

**3. Representations by the prospective panelists:**

- (a) The panelist must be willing to accept cases on a statewide basis;
- (b) The panelist is willing to advance the expenses of litigation;
- (c) The panelist must carry professional liability coverage of \$1,000,000.00.

### Criteria Documentation

**1. Litigation experience** (3 of 4 criteria must be met):

**(a) 2 or more cases through medical malpractice screening panel in last 5 years;**

	Case Name	Docket Number
1		
2		
3		

**(b) Tried to jury verdict at least 2 med mal or personal injury cases in past 5 years;**

Case Name \_\_\_\_\_ Docket Number \_\_\_\_\_

Case Name \_\_\_\_\_ Docket Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Litigated through discovery at least 10 med mal or personal injury cases in last 5 years

Case Name	Docket Number
1	
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(d) Served as panel member on pre-litigation screening panel

Case Name	Docket Number

**VARIANCE OPTION:** Please check here **ONLY** if submitting a request for a variance, and attach page(s) of argument on letterhead, signed and dated

### Certification of Information

I certify that I meet all requirements for participation on the Lawyer Referral and Information Service *Medical Malpractice Experience Panel*, as set forth above. I further certify that:

- I will**
- \_\_\_ accept cases on a statewide basis;
  - \_\_\_ advance the expenses of litigation
- and that I do**
- \_\_\_ carry professional liability coverage of \$1,000,000.00.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**SELECT sub-categories:**

Medical Malpractice Law	
XMP	<input type="checkbox"/> Against Physician/Staff
XMH	<input type="checkbox"/> Against Hospital/Staff
XMD	<input type="checkbox"/> Against Dentist/Staff
XMT	<input type="checkbox"/> Against Therapist/Staff
XMJ	<input type="checkbox"/> For Prisoners

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Social Security Experience Panel

Scope of the panel: members of this panel are accomplished attorneys who have sufficient training and experience to competently represent clients in Social Security Disability appeals before an Administrative Hearing Officer.

1. **Litigation Experience** - 5 Social Security appeals successfully litigated within the previous 5 years.

2. **Legal Education or Area Experience**

a) 5 hours of CLE on Social Security Disability in the past five years, if available in the State of Maine.

or

b) Active practice for 10 years before the Social Security Administration

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### Criteria Documentation

1) **Litigation Experience**

5 successful appeals within past five years.

	Case Name	Court	Date Completed
1			
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5			

2) **Legal Education or Area Experience**

5 hours of CLE on Social Security Disability within the past five years, if available in the State of Maine.

	Course Name	CLE Credits	Date
1			
2			
3			

OR  10 or more years Active Practice before Social Security Administration.

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### Certification of Information

I certify that I meet all requirements for participation on the Lawyer Referral and Information Service *Social Security Experience Panel*, as set forth above.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

#### Social Security Law

XSSI  SS Denial

XSSI  SS Overpayment

XSSD  Social Security Disability Denial