



Board/Committee Expression of Interest

Due October 1, 2018

The Wyoming State Bar could not operate effectively without hundreds of lawyers, judges and laymembers who generously volunteer their time to serve on numerous Boards and Committees. The Bar is always recruiting volunteers to serve on the Boards and Committees listed below. If you are interested in serving, please complete this form and submit it to the Wyoming State Bar. A description of what each Board or Committee is tasked with is provided on the following page.

Attorney Information

Name _____ Attorney # _____
Firm/Organization _____ Phone _____
Mailing Address _____ E-mail _____
City/State/Zip _____ Years of Practice _____

Check those Boards and/or Committees on which you would be interested in serving (see second page for descriptions):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bar Counsel Review & Oversight Committee* | <input type="checkbox"/> Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bench-Bar Relations Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Pattern Jury Instructions Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Continuing Legal Education* | <input type="checkbox"/> Law School Liaison Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Law Examiners* | <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Developments Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Professional Responsibility* | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Rules Advisory - Appellate Division* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Character & Fitness Committee* | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Rules Advisory - Civil Division* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Pattern Jury Instructions Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Rules Advisory - Criminal Division* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Client Protection Fund Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Rules Advisory - Juvenile Division* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Legal Education Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Rules Advisory - Evidence Division* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Pattern Jury Instructions Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diversity & Inclusion Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> WyLAP Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Arbitration Committee* | <input type="checkbox"/> Wyoming Lawyer Editorial Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Arbitrators | |

* appointed by the Wyoming Supreme Court

I authorize the Office of Bar Counsel to disclose my disciplinary history to the Wyoming State Bar President and the Wyoming Supreme Court.

Signature _____

Date _____

Return completed form to:

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Bar Counsel Review & Oversight Committee

The purpose of the committee is to supervise Bar Counsel; determine if there is probable cause to file a formal charge or petition; and review dismissals of complaints, if requested.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Three years

Bench-Bar Relations Committee

The purpose of this committee is to foster improvement of relations between members of the bench and the bar in the state of Wyoming.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Board of Continuing Legal Education

The purpose of this board is to set and interpret rules and policies concerning mandatory continuing legal education for lawyers who practice in Wyoming. The board also certifies accreditation and reporting procedures.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Three years

Board of Law Examiners

The purpose of this board is to administer the state's bar examination and to investigate and recommend candidates for admission to practice law in Wyoming. At least five years of practice is required to serve on this committee.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Three years

Board of Professional Responsibility

The purpose of this board is to conduct hearings in lawyer disciplinary matters. The board may administer reprimands in less serious instances or misconduct. For more serious or repeated misconduct, it may recommend imposition of public discipline to the Wyoming Supreme Court.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Three years

Character & Fitness Committee

The purpose of this committee is to assist the Board of Law Examiners in conducting such character and fitness investigations and hearings as it deems necessary.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Three years

Civil Pattern Jury Instructions Committee

The purpose of this committee is to periodically review the Civil Pattern Jury Instructions to ensure that they accurately reflect Wyoming law.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Client Protection Fund Committee

This committee receives, holds, manages and distributes funds received through the Board of Commissioners of the Bar and uses those funds to help reimburse losses caused by dishonest conduct by members of the Wyoming State Bar in the practice of law.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Continuing Legal Education Committee

The basic task of this committee is to plan, sponsor and administer continuing legal education seminars for the Wyoming lawyers on a statewide basis.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Criminal Pattern Jury Instructions Committee

The purpose of this committee is to periodically review the Criminal Pattern Jury Instructions to ensure that they accurately reflect Wyoming law.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Diversity & Inclusion Committee

The purpose of this committee is to promote diversity in the legal profession and to facilitate equal access to the justice system by persons of diverse backgrounds.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Fee Arbitration Committee

The purpose of this committee is to oversee the effective operation of the Fee Arbitration Program, including appointing lawyers and nonlawyers to fee arbitration panels, interpreting rules, and establishing written procedures for arbitration proceedings.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Three years

Fee Arbitrators

Fee arbitrators serve as hearing officers in proceedings brought pursuant to the Wyoming Fee Arbitration Rules. Disputes involving less than \$10,000 are heard and decided by a single arbitrator. Disputes involving \$10,000 or more are decided by a 3-arbitrator panel.

- Appointment: Fee Arbitration Committee
- Term: Three years

Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee

The purpose of this committee is to provide guidance to judges, as defined in the Wyoming Code of Judicial Conduct, concerning compliance with the Wyoming Code of Judicial Conduct.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Three years

Juvenile Pattern Jury Instructions Committee

The purpose of this committee is to periodically review the Juvenile Pattern Jury Instructions to ensure that they accurately reflect Wyoming law.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Law School Liaison Committee

The purpose of this committee is to serve as a liaison between the Wyoming State Bar and the University of Wyoming College of Law.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Legislative Developments Committee

The purpose of this committee is to review proposed legislation and offer information to legislators regarding bills which may impact the entire system or legal profession.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Permanent Rules Advisory Committee

The purpose of this committee is to propose and enact rules pertaining to district courts, in both criminal and civil matters. There are five divisions of this committee: appellate, civil, criminal, juvenile and evidence.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Two years

Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee

This committee conducts hearings regarding the unauthorized practice of law and may make recommendations to the Wyoming Supreme Court.

- Appointment: Wyoming Supreme Court
- Term: Three years

Wyoming Lawyer Assistance Program (WyLAP) Advisory Committee

The purpose of this committee is to oversee the Director of WyLAP and assist with policy decisions as necessary.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years

Wyoming Lawyer Editorial Committee

The purpose of this committee is to offer assistance to the editor of the *Wyoming Lawyer* with articles on substantive law and to provide advice as needed in policy decisions.

- Appointment: President of the Wyoming State Bar
- Term: Three years