



THE MISSISSIPPI BAR

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NEW

ADMITTEE

PACKET

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April 19, 2025

Dear Admittee of The Mississippi Bar,

On behalf of The Mississippi Bar, I congratulate you on the completion of your studies and passing the Bar Examination for Mississippi. Welcome to both The Mississippi Bar and the Young Lawyers Division. You are automatically a member of the Young Lawyers Division either because you are 37 years old or younger or are in your first three years of practice. There are no dues to become or remain a member of the Young Lawyers Division.

The Young Lawyers Division will be hosting the Spring 2025 Bar Admissions Ceremony on Thursday, April 24, 2025, at the Supreme Court Gartin Justice Building. **The ceremony will be at 3:00 pm.** Please arrive no later than 1:15 pm to complete the admissions application process and paperwork. Representatives from the various courts and organizations will be present at the Supreme Court to assist you with completing your paperwork. During the ceremony, you will hear remarks from the Supreme Court, Chancery Court of Hinds County, Deans from the Mississippi College and University of Mississippi Law Schools, The Mississippi Bar President, and Young Lawyers Division President.

We also invite you to join us for the Bridge the Gap: Rule 3-New Lawyer Program the following day on Friday, April 25, 2025. Per the CLE Rule 3, newly licensed attorneys in the State of Mississippi must complete a new-lawyer program within their first two years, and YLD's program on April 25 fulfills this requirement. Please see the brochure on Page 24 of your packet for more information on the program and Rule 3.

If you have any questions regarding the Bar Admissions Ceremony or the New Lawyer Program, please contact me by emailing cphillips@msbar.org.

Please carefully review the enclosed instructions. Congratulations!

Sincerely,

Chad Phillips
Programs and Outreach Director
The Mississippi Bar

PROGRAM

Welcome to the Court.....	Justice Jenifer B. Branning
Welcome	Robert W. Arledge <i>Bar Admissions Ceremony Committee Chair</i>
Remarks from the Board of Bar Admissions	James William Manuel <i>Board of Bar Admissions</i>
Recognition of New Admittees.....	Robert W. Arledge Dean Frederick G. Slabach <i>University of Mississippi School of Law</i> Dean John P. Anderson <i>Mississippi College School of Law</i>
Remarks from the Young Lawyers Division	Brittany B Frankel <i>President of the Young Lawyers Division</i>
Introduction of Courts and Speakers	Robert W. Arledge
Admission to Practice in Mississippi	Judge Tiffany P. Grove <i>Hinds County Chancery Court</i>
Admission to Practice in the Mississippi Supreme Court and Court of Appeals	Justice Jenifer B. Branning <i>Supreme Court of Mississippi</i>
Admission to Practice in the Northern District Courts	Magistrate Judge Jane M. Virden <i>United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi</i>
Admission to Practice in the Southern District Courts.....	Chief District Judge Sul Ozerdan <i>United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi</i>
Admission Address	Meade W. Mitchell <i>President of The Mississippi Bar</i>
Adjourn.....	Justice Jenifer B Branning

Bar Admission Instructions – Spring 2025

The digital forms and cards referenced below in this packet can also be found online at <https://www.msbar.org/bar-admissions-instructions/>

The following are **required** for admission to be licensed to practice law in Mississippi

Step 1: Admission to Chancery Court (Required)

You must first be admitted in either the Chancery Court of your county of residence; the Chancery Court of the County in which you intend to practice law or in the Chancery Court of Hinds County. Representatives from the Hinds County Chancery Court will be present at the ceremony to process your application. To be admitted in Chancery Court, you will need the documents outlined below. Please note the Chancery Court **will not accept** sample forms for original pleadings. **You must retype the sample documents provided in this packet.**

1. **Exparte Petition for License to Practice Law (3 copies)** (signed and notarized prior to the day of admittance)
2. **Oath to Practice Law (2 copies)**
3. **Decree Granting License to Practice Law (2 copies)**
 - a. Please note that you will need this certified copy of the decree to be admitted to The MS Bar and the other courts.
4. **Certificate of Eligibility (2 copies)** from MS Board of Bar Admissions (Sample on Page 26)
5. **\$148.00 filing fee** (check made payable to *Chancery Clerk of Hinds County*)

Contact Hinds County Chancery Court Clerk's Office:

Phone: (601) 968-6537 or (601) 968-6520

Email: Nikia Felton - nfelton@co.hinds.ms.us or Valerie Moton - vmoton@co.hinds.ms.us

Mailing Address:

Hinds County Chancery Clerk's Office
P.O. Box 686
Jackson, MS 39205

Physical Address:

Hinds County Chancery Court
316 S President St
Jackson, MS 39201

Please call (601-714-6309) to schedule appointment if you wish to appear at a later date.

**** Step 2 and 3 can't be completed until you have received the certified copy of the decree from the Chancery Court.****

Step 2: Enrollment with The Mississippi Bar (Required)

If you are attending the Bar Admissions Ceremony:

Enrollment with The Mississippi Bar is mandatory in order to practice law in Mississippi. Representatives from the Membership Department will be present at the ceremony to accept your Enrollment Form and Enrollment Fee (both are included in the packet). If you are being admitted between August and March, the enrollment fee is \$100. If you are being admitted between April and July, the fee is \$25. Please complete the steps below to become a member of The Mississippi Bar. You must be a member of The Mississippi Bar in order to practice law in Mississippi.

If you are not attending the Bar Admissions Ceremony:

You must contact both the Chancery and Supreme Courts separately. You must first be sworn into a Chancery Court in the State of Mississippi to practice law in this state. After you are sworn into a Chancery Court, you must complete and mail the 1) The Mississippi Bar Enrollment Form, 2) a copy of your Chancery Court Decree, and 3) your enrollment check or credit card form (see fee amounts above) to: The Mississippi Bar, ATTN: Membership Department, P.O. Box 2168, Jackson, MS 39225.

Questions? Contact The Mississippi Bar:

Phone: (601) 948-4471

Email: membership@msbar.org

Mailing Address:

The Mississippi Bar

Attn: Membership Department

P.O. Box 2168

Jackson, MS 39225-2168

Step 3: Admission to the Mississippi Supreme Court

If you are attending the Bar Admissions Ceremony:

A representative from the Supreme Court Clerk's office will be present at the ceremony to process all applicants. You will need to present the certified copy of your Chancery Court Admissions Decree and a copy of your Bar Admission certificate. You will receive your Bar Number at this table. There is a \$30.00 fee for admission to the Mississippi Supreme Court and checks should be made payable to "Supreme Court Clerk". If you have any questions concerning the Supreme Court procedure, please call Supreme Court Clerk's office at (601) 359-3694.

If you are not attending the Bar Admissions Ceremony:

You will need to contact the Clerk's office for an appointment to be sworn in. For additional questions, please contact the Clerk's office.

Questions? Contact the Supreme Court Clerk's Office:

Email - sctclerk@courts.ms.gov

Physical Address:

*Gartin Justice Building
450 High Street
Jackson, MS 39201
(601) 359-3694*

Mailing Address:

*Mississippi Supreme Court
ATTN: Clerk's Office
P.O. Box 249
Jackson, MS 39205*

Additional Optional Admissions

Admission to U.S. District Courts in Mississippi and U.S. Court of Appeals is optional. Once you have been admitted to the above courts and The Mississippi Bar, you are eligible to be admitted to the following:

1. U.S. District Court for the Northern District

If you are attending the ceremony, you must provide:

- (1) **Completed Oath on Admission**, including your signature and MS Bar Number and the signature and MS Bar Number of your sponsoring attorney. If you do not have a sponsoring attorney, there will be an attorney seated at the registration table to assist you; AND
- (2) **\$209.00 admission fee**, which may be paid in either of the following ways:
 - (a) You may pay your admission fee online after the ceremony by setting up an individual PACER account and following the Attorney Admissions instructions found on the court's website at www.msnd.uscourts.gov. A link for payment will be emailed to you and payment of the admission fee must be received within 7 days of the bar ceremony. **You will not have to attach an Oath or Certificate of Good Standing if you are being sworn in at the admission ceremony as you will leave your Oath at the registration table.**

OR

(b) If submitting the payment at the ceremony, provide a check or money order only, made payable to "Clerk, U.S. District Court".

***If you do not complete the admissions process at the ceremony and wish to seek admission at a later date, please refer to the admission instructions on the court's website at

www.msnd.uscourts.gov.

Questions? Northern District Contact Information:

Phone: Clerk of the Northern District (Oxford) - (662) 234-1971

Email: ecf_information@msnd.uscourts.gov

Mailing Address:

*Office of the Clerk
ATTN: U.S. District Court
911 Jackson Ave., Ste. 369
Oxford, MS 38655*

2. U.S. District Court for the Southern District

Representatives will be present at the ceremony to assist with your admissions process. If you are attending the ceremony, you must provide the following:

- (1) **Completed Oath on Admission Form or Card** (A card is enclosed in this packet.)
- (2) **\$209 Admission Filing Fee** - check or money order made payable to “Clerk, U.S. District Court”. If you are paying with cash, you must have exact change.

After you are sworn in at the Bar Admissions Ceremony, you will need to request e-filing privileges in the Southern District of Mississippi. To request e-filing privileges, you must obtain an individual PACER account if you do not already have an individual PACER account. To obtain an individual PACER account, please visit www.mssd.uscourts.gov/nextgen-information. If you already have an individual PACER account, please visit www.mssd.uscourts.gov/attorney-admissions-page and select the ‘Already Admitted but needing to Register for E-filing’ link and follow the instructions for e-file registration.

If you are unable to appear at the ceremony, then you will be required to personally appear before a District Judge or Magistrate Judge in accordance with the regulations of Uniform Local Rule 83.1.

Questions? Southern District Contact Information:

**Phone: Southern District of Mississippi Clerk’s Office (Jackson) – Attorney Admissions
(601) 608-4028**

Email: nextgen@mssd.uscourts.gov

Mailing Address:

**Clerk, U.S. District Court
ATTN: Attorney Admissions
501 E. Court Street, Suite 2.500
Jackson, MS 39201**

3. U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit Court

New admissions to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit can only be done online.

There is an initial application fee of **\$231.00**. Thereafter, members of the Bar must renew their admission every five years. There is a **\$50.00** fee for each renewal.

Please follow these instructions:

1. Go to <http://www.ca5.uscourts.gov>
2. Click on “Attorney Information” on the maroon bar
3. Select “Membership”
4. Select “Application and Oath for Admission”
5. Follow the instructions for “New Admission” on the webpage.

Contact the Clerk’s office in New Orleans - (504) 310-7947



New Admittee Documentation & Payments Checklist

Step 1

Please ensure that you have completed the following items before arriving to the ceremony. Based on the samples provided in your packet, you will retype the sample to include your own name. It is vital that you complete these documents before you arrive so there is sufficient time for everyone to complete the paperwork process.

- Ex Parte Petition for License to Practice Law
- Oath to Practice Law
- Decree Granting License to Practice Law
- Mississippi Bar Enrollment Form
- Mississippi Bar Payment Form (if paying with credit card)

Step 2

Please print off and bring the following documents with you to the ceremony for the admission paperwork process:

Chancery Court Required Documents
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- Two (2) copies of your Ex Parte Petition for License to Practice Law
- Two (2) copies of your Oath to Practice Law
- Three (3) copies of your Decree Granting License to Practice Law
- Two (2) copies of your Certificate of Eligibility that was mailed to you from the Board of Bar Admissions
 - Please note the certificate is a larger than letter-sized paper and you will need either copy with legal-sized paper or adjust the certificate to fit on letter paper

The Mississippi Bar Required Documents

- Completed** Enrollment Form
- Completed** Enrollment Fee Payment Form (if you want to pay with credit card)

The Supreme Court Documents

- One (1) copy of your certified copy of your Decree that you will have signed and received from the Chancery Court table during the paperwork process
- One (1) copy of your Certificate of Eligibility from the Board of Bar Admissions
 - This is an additional copy from the Chancery Court mentioned above. You will need 2 copies in total.

Additional Optional Admissions

- Northern District - Completed Oath on Admission Form
- Southern District – Completed Oath on Admission Card

Required Checks / Money Orders to Bring

- \$148 made payable to ***Chancery Clerk of Hinds County***
- \$100 made payable to ***The Mississippi Bar*** (if you are not paying with credit card)
- \$30 made payable to ***Supreme Court Clerk***

Optional Checks / Money Orders to Bring

- \$209 made payable to ***Clerk, U.S. District Court*** (for Northern District)
- \$209 made payable to ***Clerk, U.S. District Court*** (for Southern District)

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF
HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

EX PARTE: _____

PETITIONER'S NAME

NO: _____

LEAVE BLANK - FOR COURT USE ONLY

PETITION FOR LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW

Comes now the petitioner and applicant _____ an adult, resident
PETITIONER'S NAME
citizen of (City, State), and respectfully petitions the court and says:

The applicant, being in all respects qualified, made application to the State Board of Bar Admissions for an examination to be admitted to practice law in the State of Mississippi; has been duly examined by said Board and found well versed in the law and its practice and has been issued a Certificate to the effect that he is in all things duly qualified under the laws of the State of Mississippi to practice law in all Courts of the State, said Certificate being duly signed on the _____ day of _____, 20____. A copy of said Certificate is attached hereto and made a part hereof, as Exhibit "A," as much so as if copied fully herein in words and figures.

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Petitioner prays that this his petition be filed and that upon a hearing hereon, the Court or Chancellor, in vacation or regular term, may cause to be entered on the minutes of this Court an order granting to the Petitioner a license to practice law in all the Courts, both of law and equity, in the State of Mississippi upon his taking the oath prescribed by law, Petitioner prays for general relief.

Respectfully submitted,

PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF
HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

EX PARTE: _____

PETITIONER'S NAME

NO: _____

LEAVE BLANK - FOR COURT USE ONLY

PETITION FOR LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW

Comes now the petitioner and applicant _____ an adult, resident
PETITIONER'S NAME
citizen of (City, State), and respectfully petitions the court and says:

The applicant, being in all respects qualified, made application to the State Board of Bar Admissions for an examination to be admitted to practice law in the State of Mississippi; has been duly examined by said Board and found well versed in the law and its practice and has been issued a Certificate to the effect that he is in all things duly qualified under the laws of the State of Mississippi to practice law in all Courts of the State, said Certificate being duly signed on the _____ day of _____, 20____. A copy of said Certificate is attached hereto and made a part hereof, as Exhibit "A," as much so as if copied fully herein in words and figures.

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Petitioner prays that this his petition be filed and that upon a hearing hereon, the Court or Chancellor, in vacation or regular term, may cause to be entered on the minutes of this Court an order granting to the Petitioner a license to practice law in all the Courts, both of law and equity, in the State of Mississippi upon his taking the oath prescribed by law, Petitioner prays for general relief.

Respectfully submitted,

PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF _____

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for the County and State aforesaid on

This day and date personally came and appeared the above within named

_____, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his

PETITIONER'S NAME

Oath states that all matters, facts, and things set forth and alleged in the above foregoing

Petition are true and correct as therein stated.

PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, this ____ day of _____, 20__

NOTARY PUBLIC

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

EX PARTE: _____
PETITIONER'S NAME

NO. _____

OATH TO PRACTICE LAW

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HINDS

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I will demean myself, as an
PETITIONER'S NAME
attorney and counselor of this court; according, to the best of my learning and ability, and with
all good fidelity as well to the court as to the client; that I will use no falsehood nor delay any
person's cause for lucre or malice, and that I will support the Constitution of the State of
Mississippi and the Constitution of the United States. So help me God.

PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, this _____ day of _____, 20____.

CHANCELLOR

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

EX PARTE: _____
PETITIONER'S NAME

NO. _____

OATH TO PRACTICE LAW

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HINDS

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I will demean myself, as an
PETITIONER'S NAME
attorney and counselor of this court; according, to the best of my learning and ability, and with
all good fidelity as well to the court as to the client; that I will use no falsehood nor delay any
person's cause for lucre or malice, and that I will support the Constitution of the State of
Mississippi and the Constitution of the United States. So help me God.

PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF _____

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for the County and State aforesaid on
This day and date personally came and appeared the above within named
_____, who being by me first duly sworn, upon his
PETITIONER'S NAME
Oath states that all matters, facts, and things set forth and alleged in the above foregoing
Petition are true and correct as therein stated.

PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, this _____ day of _____, 20____

NOTARY PUBLIC

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

SAMPLE FOR MAIL IN ADMISSION

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

EX PARTE: _____
PETITIONER'S NAME

NO. _____

DECREE GRANTING LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW

This cause this day came on for hearing upon the ex parte petition of _____
PETITIONER'S NAME
petitioning for license to practice law in all the Courts, both of law and equity, in the State of
Mississippi.

The Chancellor, having heard and considered said petition, finds that the petitioner has
presented as a part of his petition, a certificate from the State Board of Bar Admissions, duly
signed and authenticated by its Secretary, that the said petitioner was examined as provided by
law and that he was found to be of good moral character, and to be sufficiently versed in the law,
and that he is in all respects qualified to practice law in all of the Courts of the State of
Mississippi. That the applicant has taken the oath prescribed by law and that he is entitled to a
license to practice law in all the Courts of the State of Mississippi.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that

_____ be, and his is hereby granted a license to practice law in all
PETITIONER'S NAME
Courts, both of law and equity, in the State of Mississippi.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED this the ____ day of _____, 20____.

CHANCELLOR

Northern District of Mississippi

AO 153 (Rev. 3/22 MSND)

NAME: (LAST, FIRST, MI)		
OATH ON ADMISSION		
I, _____, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) THAT AS AN ATTORNEY AND AS A COUNSELOR OF THIS COURT I WILL CONDUCT MYSELF UPRIGHTLY AND ACCORDING TO LAW, AND THAT I WILL SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.		
DATE:	SIGNATURE:	BAR I.D. NO.

COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE

AO 153 (Rev. 10/21 MSND)

FIRM NAME		TEL. NO.
FIRM ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME (Signature of Judge/Clerk)		DATE
ADMITTED ON MOTION OF: (Movant)		BAR I.D. NO.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

AO 153 (Rev. 3/21 MSSD)

NAME: (LAST, FIRST, MI)		SOCIAL SECURITY NO.
OATH ON ADMISSION		
I, _____, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) THAT AS AN ATTORNEY AND AS A COUNSELOR OF THIS COURT I WILL CONDUCT MYSELF UPRIGHTLY AND ACCORD- ING TO LAW, AND THAT I WILL SUPPORT THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.		
DATE:	APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:	MS BAR NO.

COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE

REVERSE SIDE

AO 153 (Rev. 3/21 MSSD)

FIRM NAME		TELEPHONE NUMBER.
FIRM ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
ADMITTED ON MOTION OF (<i>Signature of Movant/Sponsoring Atty</i>)		Movant's MS Bar No.:
SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME (<i>Signature of Judge</i>)		DATE



THE MISSISSIPPI BAR

ENROLLMENT APPLICATION FORM

MB USE ONLY
Bar #
Date Sworn

As required by Section 73-3-119 of the Mississippi Code, Enrollment on the list of members of this association and the payment of annual fees as required hereby shall be prerequisites to the continued practice of any lawyer...

The Mississippi Bar, Membership Records, P. O. Box 2168, Jackson, MS 39225-2168, 601-948-4471

PRINT CLEARLY (All Fields Required)

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME FIRST MIDDLE LAST

PREFERRED FIRST NAME (first name as you wish to be addressed)

FIRM NAME

FIRM SIZE: Check one to indicate number of attorneys in firm or practice type Solo practice 2-3 4-5 6-10 11-19 over 20 Corporate/In-house Government Other

BUSINESS MAILING ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP CODE MISSISSIPPI COUNTY

BUSINESS PHYSICAL ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP CODE MISSISSIPPI COUNTY

PHONE EMAIL

HOME ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP CODE MISSISSIPPI COUNTY

PHONE MOBILE EMAIL

PUBLISHED ADDRESS: Check one to indicate which of the above addresses you would like published in The MS Bar's Directory and on the website.

Business Mailing Home Address

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

This information is used for statistical purposes only.

BIRTH DATE MM/DD/YYYY GENDER M F RACE African-American Asian Hispanic Indian White Other

LAW SCHOOL STATE GRADUATION YEAR

OTHER JURISDICTIONS AND DATE OF ADMISSION:

ADDRESS CHANGE

The records of The Mississippi Bar are referred to daily by the public, professional organizations and other groups with references to location, address, membership status, etc. of attorneys in Mississippi. Mississippi law requires that any lawyer changing his residence... promptly notify the Membership Department of The Mississippi Bar.



THE MISSISSIPPI BAR

The Mississippi Bar Enrollment Payment Information Form

**\$100 (For Fall Admittees) and \$25 (For Spring Admittees)
Enrollment Fee**

Full Name:

Email:

****For fastest processing, please pay via credit card.****

Credit Card Payment Option

Credit Card: Card #:

Expiration Date:

Security Code:

Email completed enrollment form, certified copy of your decree and payment form to membership@msbar.org

Check Payment Option

Check: Check Number:

Make check payable to **The Mississippi Bar** and return with completed enrollment form, certified copy of your decree and payment form to:

The Mississippi Bar
Attn: Membership Department Enrollment Form
P.O. Box 2168
Jackson, MS 39225-2168

Any questions, please contact our Membership Department via email - membership@msbar.org



THE MISSISSIPPI BAR

SECTION MEMBERSHIP FORM

The Mississippi Bar offers 19 Sections that offer members the opportunity to network with colleagues that share similar interests and legal specialties. In addition, members of a Section have access to unique CLE events at a discounted rate. To learn more about what each Section offers, please visit The Mississippi Bar’s website at www.msbar.org.

To join a Section, indicate with an X any section you wish to join.

Name:

Bar Number:

Section	Fee	Add
Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)	\$15	
Appellate Practice	\$15	
Business Law	\$15	
Child Welfare & Child Advocacy	\$15	
Criminal Defense	\$15	
Estates & Trust	\$15	
Family Law	\$15	
Government Law	\$15	
Health Law	\$15	
Intellectual Property, Entertainment & Sports Law	\$15	
Labor & Employment Law	\$15	
Litigation	\$15	
Prosecutors	\$15	
Real Property	\$15	
SONREEL (Section on Natural Resources, Environment & Energy)	\$15	
Taxation	\$15	
Veterans & Military Law	\$15	
Women in the Profession (WIP)	\$15	
Workers’ Compensation	\$15	
Total		

Make check payable to *The Mississippi Bar* and return the form and payment to:

The Mississippi Bar
Attn: Susan Rockoff
P.O. Box 2168
Jackson, MS 39225-2168



THE MISSISSIPPI BAR

**Young Lawyers Division
Local Affiliates**

PURPOSE

The purpose of the local affiliate organizations is to aid in the administration of justice; to promote among its members higher ethical and professional standards in the practice of law; to advise, inform and educate its members in all matters relevant to the practice of law; to present programs and conduct projects to educate the public at large about the judicial system, the role of the attorney and the rights of the individual under law; to conduct seminars and other educational programs; to promote fellowship among its members and to sponsor social activities for members and their guests.

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Membership is open to any duly licensed member of The Mississippi Bar who is a resident of the area which the affiliate serves and is either 37 years of age or younger or has been a member of The Mississippi Bar for less than three years. The local affiliates charge a minimal annual membership fee.

LOCAL AFFILIATES

Please select which affiliate you are interested in joining or receiving additional information about.

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Delta Young Lawyers | <input type="checkbox"/> Jones County Young Lawyers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golden Triangle Young Lawyers | <input type="checkbox"/> Lauderdale County Young Lawyers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Harrison County Young Lawyers | <input type="checkbox"/> Lee County Young Lawyers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hattiesburg Area Young Lawyers | <input type="checkbox"/> Northwest Mississippi Young Lawyers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jackson County Young Lawyers | <input type="checkbox"/> Oxford Area Young Lawyers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jackson Young Lawyers | <input type="checkbox"/> Warren County Young Lawyers |

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Email _____

Firm/Employer _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

Law School _____ Graduation Year _____

Please return this form to The Mississippi Bar at eventsandprograms@msbar.org.



The Mississippi Bar's Young Lawyers Division presents:

Bridge the Gap: Rule 3–New Lawyer Program

Friday, April 24, 2025

MS Sports Hall of Fame - 1152 Lakeland Drive - Jackson

About the Bridge the Gap: New Lawyer Program

Each year, the Young Lawyers Division hosts the New Lawyer Program for newly admitted attorneys to receive their 12 required CLE hours per Rule 3. The program is divided into 2 parts—the first half will be the day after your Bar Admissions Ceremony, and the second half will be hosted in Spring 2025. The New Lawyer Program is *created by young law-yers for young lawyers*. For more information on Rule 3, please see below:

Rule 3. CLE Requirement (amended effective July 1, 2015):

- b. Each attorney newly licensed to practice law in the State of Mississippi, from and after August 1, 2015, shall, by the conclusion of the second CLE year occurring after their date of admission to The Mississippi Bar, attend or complete a new-lawyer program approved by the Commission on Continuing Legal Education, which shall be comprised of a total of twelve (12) actual hours of CLE to include six (6) hours of basic skills training and six (6) hours of ethics/professionalism. Completion of the new-lawyer program shall satisfy the requirement of subsection (a) of this Rule for such newly licensed attorney for both the CLE year of admission and the next

The second-half of the program satisfies 3 Hours of Ethics/Professionalism and 3 Hours of Basic Skills in the following components:

Ethics/Professionalism:

Duty to Colleagues in the Practice of Law (EP4000)
Duty to Profession (EP5000)
Duty to the Public (EP6000)

Basic Skills:

Basic Litigation Skills (S4000)
Basic transactional Skills (S5000)
Substantive Law (S6000)

Registration Information

Bridge the Gap: Rule 3–New Lawyer Program - Friday, April 24, 2025

MS Sports Hall of Fame - 1152 Lakeland Drive - Jackson

\$200 Registration Fee

*Leave Bar # blank if you don't have one.
You will receive it at the ceremony.*

Full Name: _____ Bar #: _____

Preferred First Name for Nametag: _____ City: _____

Email (required to register): _____

Check: Make check payable to **The Mississippi Bar** and return with this registration form to:
The Mississippi Bar, Attn: Chad Phillips, P.O. Box 2168, Jackson, MS 39225-2168

Credit Card: Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Return registration form via email to cphillips@msbar.org.

Bridge the Gap: Rule 3–New Lawyer Program

Friday, April 24, 2025 - The Mississippi Bar Center - 643 N. State Street - Jackson

Agenda

8:00 – 8:30 am	Registration
8:30 – 9:30 am	Ethics/Professionalism: Duty to Colleagues in the Practice of Law (EP4000)
9:30 – 10:30 am	Basic Skills: Basic Litigation Skills (S4000)
10:30 – 10:40 am	Break
10:40 – 11:40 am	Ethics/Professionalism: Duty to the Profession (EP5000)
11:40 – 12:20 pm	Lunch will be provided
12:20 – 1:20 pm	Basic Skills: Basic transactional Skills (S5000)
1:20 – 1:30 pm	Break
1:30– 2:30 pm	Ethics/Professionalism: Duty to the Public (EP6000)
2:30 – 3:30 pm	Basic Skills: Substantive Law (S6000)

Notes

Registration Fee:

The registration fee is \$200, payable by check or credit card.

Written Materials:

Will be provided electronically to all registrants the day before the seminar.

Cancellations:

Cancellations made prior to the seminar will receive a refund less a \$25 administrative fee. Cancellations on the day of the seminar and “no shows” will receive no refund.

Questions:

Contact Chad Phillips at The Mississippi Bar at cphillips@msbar.org with any questions you might have.



Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program

Here to Help!

The Mississippi Bar Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program helps legal professionals figure out what is not working in their lives and provides guidance and on-going support for getting back on track. We offer confidential services under Supreme Court LJA Program Rule 4. We work with [lawyers](#), [judges](#), [law students](#), and [family members](#) of law professionals.

Assessment and Referral – LJA Program coordinates both formal and informal mental health and substance abuse assessments. We refer lawyers to appropriate therapists and counselors, treatment centers, psychiatrists, career counselors, physicians or any other type of health care professional best suited to assist with whatever issues a legal professional is dealing. LJA Program also provides follow-up support.

Work/Life Support – LJA Program assists with legal professionals dealing with stress, burn-out, life stressors, and family issues. Cultivating attorney well-being prior to issues reaching crisis state.

Peer Support – LJA Program has a cadre of trained volunteers that provide peer support.

Consultation – LJA Program often consults with managing partners of law firms or judges who may be concerned about a lawyer.

Intervention – LJA Program can assist with the intervention process.

Monitoring – LJA Program provides on-going monitoring for the purpose of accountability in one's recovery of substance use disorder or mental health issues.

Education – LJA Program provides education to the legal community on issues of substance use disorder, mental health, and work-related issues.

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