



CALIFORNIA DUI LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATIONS & ANNUAL DUES

The California DUI Lawyers Association (CDLA) offers three (3) classifications of membership: Regular, Associate, and Specialist. Membership classifications are not open to anyone involved in either the prosecution or law enforcement of persons accused of driving under the influence and related offenses.

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP (General & Public Defender)

Regular Membership is open to all “*General*” attorneys who have active status with the State Bar of California and who regularly participate in the defense of persons accused of driving under the influence and other related offenses. *Public Defenders* who meet these qualifications are offered significantly reduced dues for CDLA membership.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP (Non-Attorneys & Non-California Attorneys)

Associate Membership is open to all *non-attorneys* with specialized knowledge and/or training in areas pertaining to driving under the influence defense.

Associate Membership is also open to *all attorneys who are licensed to practice law in a state other than California* and who defend those accused of driving under the influence or driving while intoxicated and related offenses.

SPECIALIST MEMBERSHIP

Specialist Membership is reserved for very experienced and knowledgeable defense counsel who meet the following qualifications:

- 1.) A member in good standing with the State Bar of California for at least 5 years.
- 2.) Defense counsel of record in 20 or more California felony or misdemeanor impaired driving trials submitted to the jury for decision and 50 or more additional impaired driving matters to disposition
- 3.) Any two of the additional qualifications arising out of an impaired driving incident:
 - a.) Appeared as defense counsel of record in 5 or more hearings pursuant to Penal Code Section 1538.5 in which oral testimony was taken and decisions rendered
 - b.) Filed 5 or more petitions or answers in extraordinary write proceedings in which decisions after hearing have been rendered
 - c.) Made 3 or more appearances as attorney of record in the Appellate Divisions of the California Superior Court, California Courts of Appeal or Supreme Court, or equivalent federal appellate courts, which resulted in a published or unpublished written opinion

- d.) Appeared as counsel in 10 or more additional jury trials submitted to the jury for decision
- 4.) As an alternative to the driving under the influence defense trial practice experience qualifications listed in subsections (2) and (3) above, an applicant may qualify to be a Specialist Member by demonstrating to the satisfaction of the CDLA Board of Directors that the applicant has had substantial involvement in other areas of driving under the influence defense practice that requires skills and a level of expertise substantially similar to what is described in subsections (2) and (3) above.
- 5.) In the three years immediately preceding application, attended and completed or instructed not fewer than 20 hours of educational programs approved for State Bar MCLE credit pertaining to driving under the influence defense or related areas of criminal defense.

MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION ANNUAL DUES

Dues for a one year (12-month) period of membership:

REGULAR MEMBER – GENERAL ATTORNEYS: \$200

REGULAR MEMBER – PUBLIC DEFENDER: \$100

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: \$100

SPECIALIST: \$250

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Application for REGULAR and ASSOCIATE Membership can be made using the ***JOIN/RENEW NOW*** button on the main page of the CDLA website.

Application for Specialist Membership requires a separate application procedure and the submission of documentation demonstrating that the applicant meets all of the criteria stated above in the Specialist Membership section. All applications for Specialist Membership must be approved by the CDLA Board of Directors.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/CONTACT

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