



NEBRASKA
State Bar Association

The Nebraska State Bar Association

FIND-A-LAWYER

Attorney Agreement Contract & Membership Application



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FIND-A-LAWYER Why You Should Join!

Benefit to Attorneys: Every year, the public increasingly relies on the internet to obtain information. The NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER Program allows members to create a personalized profile that includes more information about their practice than just their firm name and contact information. The FIND-A-LAWYER Program provides an extremely cost-effective method to market yourself and your services. You can even present yourself via a video clip to tell potential clients, in your own words, about your experience and expertise. The FIND-A-LAWYER Program can also provide exposure to clients who reside outside of Nebraska but need a Nebraska-based attorney.

Benefit to the Public: Every day, the NSBA receives phone calls from members of the public who are looking for an attorney and don't know where to start. A FIND-A-LAWYER Program affiliated with a state bar association provides the public with the confidence that the service is credible and legitimate. Participation in the program requires that the attorney is covered by professional liability assurance. Language used on the website, however, will clearly indicate that:

NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER service is a directory provided by the Nebraska State Bar Association to assist its members and the public in locating an attorney. All lawyers listed in FIND-A-LAWYER are members of the Nebraska State Bar Association. The Nebraska State Bar Association does not recommend or endorse the services of those listed, nor does the omission of others from this directory imply a negative assessment, or any evaluation or recommendation whatsoever. Nothing in this FIND-A-LAWYER directory should be relied upon as legal advice. The information on these pages has been supplied by the persons and firms listed, and the Nebraska State Bar Association has not reviewed, investigated, or evaluated the accuracy or completeness of the information or qualifications or competency of those listed. The Nebraska State Bar Association and its members and employees hereby disclaim any responsibility or liability claimed to have arisen from reliance upon the information contained in the NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER directory. Neither the Nebraska State Bar Association nor any agency of the State Bar has certified any lawyer identified here as a specialist or as an expert.

How it Works

Use the application form to create your profile page. Indicate the counties (up to 3) and areas of practice (up to 3, with as many subspecialties as apply) that you would like to be listed for. The NSBA's FIND-A-LAWYER website, www.nefindalawyer.com, allows the public to search for attorneys by city, county, area of practice, and language. Search results will present the full list of attorneys that qualify under the search criteria but will randomize the order of the results.

The program runs on a calendar year (January 1 - December 31). Your profile will be renewed automatically unless you notify the NSBA in writing by December 31st that you would like to cancel your profile.

NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER is governed by the NSBA House of Delegates. For a copy of the *Standards and Rules* visit: www.nefindalawyer.com

How to Sign Up

1. Complete this form.
2. Return this form to the Nebraska State Bar Association, along with the appropriate fees, and the requisite certificate of insurance addressed to the NSBA or with a copy of the declaration page of your policy showing that you carry the requisite professional liability insurance of \$100,000 per claim and \$300,000 aggregate.

Return all information and payment to:
NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER, 635 S 14th St. #200 • Lincoln, NE 68508



FIND-A-LAWYER Declaration

I declare:

I am an attorney in good standing with the Nebraska State Bar Association and I will abide by the Rules of the Nebraska Supreme Court, the Rules of Professional Conduct governing attorney conduct, and the Rules of Operations of the NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER Program.

I will indemnify and hold harmless the Nebraska State Bar Association, its members, agents, and the FIND-A-LAWYER Advisory Committee from all claims, demands, actions, liability or loss which may arise from or be incurred as a result of the operation of the Service or referrals of clients to me through the Service or the use of information contained in the registration form. I consent to the disclosure of information I provide to the NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER Program for publication on the FIND-A-LAWYER website and to clients referred to me.

I have and will maintain in force a Lawyer's Professional Liability insurance policy with a minimum coverage of \$100,000 per claim and \$300,000 aggregate. I have attached a certificate of insurance addressed to the Nebraska State Bar Association or a copy of the declaration page of my policy. I agree to produce a copy of my policy on request and authorize my insurance carrier to provide a copy of my policy or otherwise verify my coverage to the Nebraska State Bar Association.

I have not at any time during the five years preceding my application (1) been suspended from the practice of law in Nebraska or another state other than for non-payment of state bar dues in a state other than Nebraska; (2) been subject to disbarment in Nebraska or another state; or (3) served a sentence or placed on probation for a crime involving moral turpitude.

If my application for registration with the NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER program is approved, I will promptly notify the Executive Director of the NSBA of any:

- change of address, telephone, email or other contact information;
- change of employment or employment status;
- change in areas of practice or subspecialties; or
- notification of pending attorney disciplinary charges.

Although not required, I will consider contributing the initial consultation fee I earn for each paid consultation resulting from my participation in the FIND-A-LAWYER Program to the NSBA Volunteer Lawyers Project.

By signing below, I acknowledge I have read the NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER Declaration in its entirety. I agree to abide by and be bound by all terms and conditions stated in the Declaration.

Attorney Signature: _____ Date: _____

Nebraska Bar #: _____



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Please select up to 3 areas of practice and as many subspecialties as apply.

- ADMINISTRATIVE**
- Attorney Discipline
- Attorney General
- Aviation
- Dept. of Natural Resources
- Dept. of Health and Human Services
- Driver's License Revocation
- Federal Agencies
- Gambling/Gaming/Lottery
- Interstate Trucking
- Legislation, Federal
- Legislation, State
- Liquor Control Commission
- Regulations and Licensing
- Restaurant Licensing
- AGRICULTURE/FARM**
- Agricultural Leases
- Animal Livestock Damage
- Farm Issues
- ARBITRATION**
- Business
- Commercial
- Construction
- Employment
- BANKRUPTCY**
- Adversary Proceeding
- Chapter 11 Bankruptcy
- Chapter 13 Bankruptcy
- Chapter 7 Bankruptcy
- BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL**
- Antitrust Issues
- Business Formation
- Buying & Selling Businesses
- Corporate Governance
- Dealerships
- Franchises
- Litigation
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Non-profit Corporations
- Sale of professional practice
- Secured Transactions
- CONSTITUTIONAL/FEDERAL LAW**
- ADA
- Age Discrimination
- Civil Cases/Civil Rights
- Gender Discrimination
- GINA
- Housing Discrimination
- Mental Commitment
- Police and False Arrest
- Prisoner/Inmate Rights
- Privacy
- Racial Discrimination
- Section 1983 Actions
- Whistle Blowers
- CONSTRUCTION LAW**
- CONSUMERS**
- Consumer Fraud
- Consumer Law
- Contracts
- FDCPA
- Home Improvements/Repairs
- Identity Theft
- Internet Fraud
- Lease Law/Used Vehicles
- Small Claims
- Student Loans
- Utility Disputes
- CREDITOR**
- Collection Lawsuit
- Post-Judgment Collection
- CRIMINAL LAW**
- Animal Abuse
- Criminal Appeals
- Driving Under Influence
- Drug Related Offenses
- Elder Abuse
- Expungement
- Federal Crimes
- Felony
- Juvenile Offender-Adult Ct.
- Misdemeanor
- Post-conviction relief
- Probation/Parole Issues
- Sexual Assault
- Traffic Issues
- White Collar Crime
- ELDER/SENIOR LAW**
- Long-term Care Planning
- Medicare
- Nursing Home
- ENVIRONMENTAL LAW**
- CERCLA
- Hazardous Material
- Mining
- Oil and Gas
- Riparian
- Solid Waste
- ESTATE PLANNING & PROBATE**
- Conservatorship
- Formal Probate
- Guardianship/Adult
- Guardianship/Minor
- Informal Probate
- International Probate Law
- Litigation Disputes
- Living Will
- Power of Attorney/Finance
- Power of Attorney/Health
- Small Estates
- Special Needs Trust
- Trusts
- Wills
- FAMILY LAW**
- Abuse/Neglect
- Adoption
- Annulment
- Child Custody
- Child Support
- Children's Rights
- Delegation of Parental Power
- Divorce/Separation
- Domestic Abuse
- Emancipation of Minor
- Fathers Rights
- Grandparents Rights
- International Family Law
- Name Change
- Paternity
- Post-Decree Enforcement
- Post-Decree Modification
- Postnuptial Agreement
- Premarital Agreement
- Property Settlement
- QDRO
- Step Parent Adoption
- Terminate Parental Rights
- UCCJEA Issues
- *Guardianship – See Probate
- IMMIGRATION**
- Business
- DACA
- Employment-based
- Family-based
- Naturalization
- Removal
- Special Immigrant
- U.S. District Court
- INSURANCE**
- Bad faith claims (plaintiff)
- Bad faith defense



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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- Computer Law
- Copyright
- Patent Law
- Software Property
- Trade Secrets
- Trademark
- Unfair Competition

JUVENILE LAW

- Abuse/Neglect
- Emancipation of Minor
- Guardian ad Litem
- Juvenile Offender (under 18)
- Termination of Parent Rights

LABOR/EMPLOYMENT

- Benefits
- Contracts
- Discrimination
- Employer
- ERISA
- FMLA
- Independent Contractor
- Labor Law
- Litigation
- Non-Compete/Solicitation
- OSHA
- Pension/Retirement
- Sexual Harassment
- Union Issues

LANDLORD/TENANT

- Commercial landlord
- Commercial lease
- Commercial tenant
- Residential landlord
- Residential lease
- Residential tenant

MEDIATION

- Business
- Elder/Senior
- Employment
- Family Law
- Neighborhood
- Parenting Act
- SADR

MILITARY

- Benefits
- Court Martial
- Service Members Civil Relief Act
- UCMJ
- Veterans Affairs

MORTGAGE

- Foreclosure Defendant
- Foreclosure Plaintiff

MUNICIPAL LAW

- Municipal Ordinances
- Suits against Municipalities

PROPERTY & LAND

- Adverse Possession
- Annexation, Zoning
- Appropriation
- Condemnation
- Condominiums
- Easements
- Eminent Domain
- Quarries/Mining Issues
- Stray Voltage Damage
- Time Share
- Title Claim
- Water Rights
- Wetland Issues

SCHOOL ISSUES

- FERPA
- Private School Issues
- School Disciplinary Issues
- Special Education

SOCIAL SECURITY

- Disability
- Medicare
- SSI

TAXATION

- Complex Individual Taxes
- Corporate Taxes
- Property Tax Issues
- Small Business Taxes
- Tax Liens

TORT LAW

- Accidents
- Auto Accident
- Aviation Accident
- Mass Disaster
- Mass Torts
- Accountant Malpractice
- Animal Bite Injury
- Asbestos
- Assault & Battery
- Birth Control
- Black Mold
- Breast Implants
- Chiropractic Malpractice
- Dental Malpractice

False Imprisonment

- False Imprisonment (Law Enforcement)
- Lead Poisoning
- Legal Malpractice
- Libel Slander Defamation
- Malpractice Defense
- Medical Malpractice
- Negligence
- Police Brutality
- Premises Liability
- Prescription Drugs
- Products Liability
- Products Liability (Defense)
- Property Damage
- Psychiatric Malpractice
- Sexual Assault
- Slip & Fall
- Stockbroker Malpractice
- Tobacco
- Veterinary Malpractice
- Wrongful Death

TRANSPORTATION

- Cargo Claims
- Operating Authority
- Overweight Violations

WORKERS' COMP

- Employee, Federal
- Employee, State
- Employer, Federal
- Employer, State

FREE CATEGORIES

LIMITED SCOPE**

- Debtor/Creditor
- Family Law
- Landlord/Tenant

MODEST MEANS***

PRO BONO (will not be listed on the website but adds your name to the list for pro bono opportunities in your county and area of practice.)

- Volunteer Lawyers Project
- NSBA Help Desk

** Unbundled legal services

*** Accept referral of clients who meet income eligibility requirements. More information is on the following page.



FIND-A-LAWYER “Modest Means” Program

In an effort to help address growing unmet legal needs, the NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER Program would like to offer a listing of attorneys who are willing to provide legal services for a reduced fee for income-eligible clients in the areas of family law, juvenile law, bankruptcy, guardianships, and for landlords not operating as a business.

The NSBA does not determine income eligibility. The table below, however, is offered as a suggested guideline for attorneys participating in the “Modest Means” Program who would like to determine income eligibility and a means of establishing reduced rates.

The FIND-A-LAWYER website will instruct members of the public looking for attorneys taking reduced fee cases that they may be asked to demonstrate income eligibility.

| NSBA “Modest Means” Income Guidelines | | Percentage of Poverty Level | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Household Size | Monthly Income of Household | 100% | 125% | 150% | 175% | 200% |
| 1 | 971 | 971 | 1,214 | 1,457 | 1,700 | 1,942 |
| 2 | 1,328 | 1,328 | 1,660 | 1,992 | 2,324 | 2,656 |
| 3 | 1,674 | 1,674 | 2,093 | 2,511 | 2,930 | 3,348 |
| 4 | 2,021 | 2,021 | 2,527 | 3,032 | 3,537 | 4,042 |
| 5 | 2,368 | 2,368 | 2,960 | 3,552 | 4,114 | 4,736 |
| 6 | 2,714 | 2,714 | 3,393 | 4,071 | 4,750 | 5,428 |
| 7 | 3,061 | 3,061 | 3,827 | 4,592 | 5,357 | 6,122 |
| 8 | 3,408 | 3,408 | 4,260 | 5,112 | 5,964 | 6,816 |
| 9 | 3,754 | 3,754 | 4,693 | 5,631 | 6,570 | 7,508 |
| 10 | 4,101 | 4,101 | 5,127 | 6,152 | 7,177 | 8,202 |

| NSBA “Modest Means” Billing Guidelines | | | | |
|--|---------------|---|-----------------------|---|
| | Fixed Fee* | | Hourly Rate | |
| Percentage of Poverty Level | Suggested Fee | Costs - Client pays expenses and applicable court costs | Suggested Hourly Rate | Costs - Client pays expenses and applicable court costs |
| 100% | 50% | IFP application for costs | \$80/hour | \$100 advance fee (IFP application for costs) |
| 125% | 40% | IFP application for costs | \$90/hour | \$200 advance fee (IFP application for costs) |
| 150% | 35% | IFP application for costs | \$100/ hour | \$300 advance fee (IFP application for costs) |
| 175% | 30% | IFP application for costs | \$110/hour | \$400 advance fee (IFP application for costs) |
| 200% | 25% | IFP application for costs | \$125/hour | \$500 advance fee (IFP application for costs) |

* The percentage total is a reduction of the fixed fee. For example, if the fixed fee is generally \$1,000, a 50% reduction is \$500.



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FIND-A-LAWYER Listing *(Required Information)*

Name: _____

Nebraska Bar #: _____

Firm/Employer: _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work phone #: _____ Fax #: _____

E-mail address: _____

Website: _____

Nebraska counties you wish to be listed in (max of 3):

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

Bar Admission(s) year(s) and jurisdiction(s): _____

Schools attended, with dates of graduation, degrees and other scholastic distinctions: _____

Professional associations and memberships: _____

Public offices held: _____

Military service (branch and date(s) of service): _____

Legal authorships: _____

Legal teaching positions: _____

Additional information (indicate hours of availability, proficiency in foreign language, handicap accessibility, weekend service, and other items that will help the public in understanding your practice):

I am willing to make "house calls" to assist the elderly or homebound.

I will consider accepting appointments that require me to go to the county jail or other correctional facilities for consultation.

I am proficient in the following languages:

Arabic French German Spanish Other: _____

I would like my photo included in my online profile. (Please email your photo to sludvik@nebar.com.)

I would like to include a 1-minute video to promote my practice (additional fee).

Do you wish to publish your fee for the initial 30-minute consultation: Yes No

If yes, fee for initial 30-minute consultation: \$ _____ (NSBA suggests a maximum of \$50.)



FIND-A-LAWYER Membership Application

| Lawyer Referral Membership Application Fees | Fee |
|--|------------|
| Annual Subscription to NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER Program - \$100 for NSBA dues-paying members - \$300 for non-dues-paying members • Includes selection of up to 3 counties, 3 areas of practice and as many subspecialties as are applicable. Inclusion in Limited Scope Representation, "Modest Means" and Pro Bono lists are free. | |
| Additional counties Add \$5 per additional county. Please list additional counties in the space provided on the application. | |
| Additional States Add \$5 for additional states you are licensed in as an <u>active</u> attorney. Please list additional states in the space provided on the application. | |
| Additional practice areas Add \$10 per additional practice area. You can include as many subspecialties under that practice area as are applicable to you. Please list additional practice areas in the space provided on the application. | |
| Video Clip Add \$100 to add a 1-minute video clip on your profile page, in which you highlight your expertise and/or experience. Attorney creates the video clip and provides the NSBA with a YouTube link to embed in the member profile. | |
| Advertising - Want additional exposure for your firm? Purchase a rotating web banner on the FIND-A-LAWYER website for \$600. NSBA will contact you about placement options. (Specs are 240 x 400) | |
| TOTAL: | |

_____ Check enclosed OR Charge to _____ MasterCard _____ Visa _____ Discover _____ AMEX

Amount enclosed or to be charged \$ _____ Card number: _____

Security Code (located on back of card): _____ Expiration Date: _____

Please print name on credit card: _____

Credit card billing address (if different from above): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Signature: _____

Make checks payable to NSBA and return to NSBA FIND-A-LAWYER, 635 S 14th St. #200, Lincoln, NE 68508.