

ELDER LAW SECTION PATRON MEMBERSHIP POLICIES & PROCEDURES

A person or organization that wants to become an Elder Law Section Patron Member should follow these procedures:

- To become an Elder Law Section Patron Member an Applicant must first apply to be a Patron of the Colorado Bar Association (“CBA”).* At the request of the CBA Patron Applicant, a copy of the CBA Patron Application will be forwarded to the Elder Law Section Chair for consideration.
- In reviewing and considering the Patron Member Application, the Section Chair has absolute discretion to approve or disapprove the same. When considering a CBA Patron for membership in the Elder Law Section, the Elder Law Section Chair has absolute discretion, but will consider whether the applicant:
 - Renders services for the benefit of the elderly and disabled or is involved in an endeavor which addresses the needs of the elderly and disabled;
 - Demonstrates a commitment to positive involvement in the work of the Elder Law Section and its purposes; and,
 - Maintains the highest standards of ethics in representing the needs of or promoting the welfare of the elderly and disabled.
- If the Section Chair approves the Section Member Application, the Applicant becomes an Elder Law Section Patron Member (“ELSP”) upon receipt of a signed ELSP Policies and Procedures Acknowledgement and payment of the required dues. The Elder Law Section Chair has discretion to waive the ELSP dues for non-profit organizations and individuals for good cause shown.

ELSP’s must comply with each of the below requirements and any additional requirements that are adopted by the Elder Law Section. Failure to comply with any of the requirements may result in a revocation of the ELSP’s membership in the sole discretion of the Section Chair.

- Becoming an ELSP is a designation for the internal use of the Section; becoming an ELSP does not entitle any person or organization to utilize the CBA logo or say they are a Member of the CBA, a Patron of the CBA, a Member the Elder Law Section or a Patron of the Elder Law Section. The only appropriate designation is “Patron of the Bar.”
- Solicitation and marketing by an ELSP during Elder Law Section meetings is strictly prohibited.
- ELSP must pay the section dues as set by the Elder Law Section Executive Council. On each July 1 an ELSP must pay annual dues in advance for the next fiscal year of the Elder Law Section. Any ELSP whose annual dues are more than six months past due shall cease to be a Patron member of the Elder Law Section. Once paid, Elder Law Section dues are non-refundable.

* A Patron of the CBA is defined as a non-lawyer or organization who provides ancillary goods or services to lawyers or to the legal profession and who applies to the CBA Executive Director for recognition as a Patron of the Bar. Patrons of the Bar may include, but are not limited to, arbitrators, mediators, certified public accountants, private investigators, court reporters, educators, and professional consultants.

- Termination of membership as a Patron of the Bar shall automatically terminate an ELSP's membership.
- An ELSP may resign at any time by sending a written notice of such resignation to the Section Chair and such resignation shall take effect upon the receipt thereof by the Section Chair.
- The Elder Law Section Chair reserves the right to revoke section membership at any time.

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- To maintain membership, an ELSP must continue to meet the following eligibility criteria:
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The undersigned has received the Elder Law Section Patron Membership Policies and Procedures Acknowledgment and accepts the requirements of the Elder Law Section.

Date: _____

Signature

Organization

Printed Name