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THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE BAR

*(PLEASE CHECK A MEMBERSHIP STATUS, if no status is marked, you will be placed on active.)
Membership status information is located on the back of this form.*

I hereby register for: ☐ **active** membership in THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE BAR:
☐ **active but not practicing**
☐ **inactive**

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Mailing Address: *(Official address of record - all State Bar mailings will be sent to this address; this address will also be printed in the Bar's Membership Directory and included in our website's online Membership Directory)*

Email Address: _____

Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____

Date of Birth: _____

Gender: ☐ Male
☐ Female

Race: ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
☐ Asian
☐ Black or African American
☐ Hispanic or Latino
☐ White
☐ Other: _____

Admitted by the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals on _____
(Admission Date)

Authority under which admitted _____
(Bar Exam, Reciprocity, Rule 9.0, etc.)

Education - Academic _____
(Give Colleges, Degrees, Dates of Degrees, if any, etc.)

Education - Legal _____

Date

Signature

**FAX (304-558-2467) OR EMAIL (cheryl@wvbar.org)
A COPY OF THIS FORM**

AND RETURN ORIGINAL TO:

THE WV STATE BAR - ATTN: MEMBERSHIP
2000 Deitrick Boulevard, Charleston, WV 25311-1231

WEST VIRGINIA STATE BAR BY-LAWS

Article II

§ 3. Active Membership

An active member in good standing shall be a person lawfully admitted to the practice of law in the State of West Virginia, who is lawfully engaged in the practice of law in this State, who is enrolled as an active member, who is not under suspension, and who shall each year duly pay the annual active membership fee to the state bar.

§ 4. Enrollment as an inactive member

Any member of the state bar not under suspension, who does not desire to engage in the practice of law in this State, may, upon written request to the executive director, be enrolled as an inactive member, so long as such member shall each year duly pay the annual inactive membership fee to the state bar. Every judge of a court of record of this State shall be enrolled as an inactive member during his or her continuance in such office, but shall not be required to pay the annual inactive membership fee to the state bar. A member of the faculty of the College of Law, West Virginia University who has not engaged in the practice of law in this State may be enrolled as an inactive member. No member of the state bar practicing law in this State, or occupying a position in the employ of or rendering any legal service for an active member, or occupying a position wherein he or she is called upon to or does give legal advice or counsel or examine the law or pass upon the legal effect of any law, transaction, instrument (whether or not of record), or state of facts, except judges of courts of record, shall be enrolled as an inactive member.

§ 6. Privileges of inactive members.

An inactive member shall not practice law, vote in any meeting, election or referendum of the state bar, or hold office in the state bar. He or she may attend meetings of the state bar, participate in the debates of such meetings, and be appointed upon a special committee but not upon a standing or administrative committee. He or she shall be entitled to receive the official publication of the state bar and such notices and publications as are mailed to the active members upon the payment of an annual fee fixed by the board, not in excess of the active membership fee.

§ 7. Enrollment as an active but not practicing member.

Any member of the state bar not under suspension, who does not desire to engage in the practice of law in this State, may, upon written request to the executive director, be enrolled as an active but not practicing member. No member of the state bar practicing law in this State, or occupying a position in the employ of rendering any legal service for an active member, or occupying a position wherein he or she is called upon to or does give legal advice or counsel or examine the law or pass upon the legal effect of any law, transaction, instrument (whether or not of record), or state of facts, except judges of courts of record, shall be enrolled as an active but not practicing member.

§ 9. Privileges of active but not practicing members.

Any active but not practicing member shall not practice law, but may vote in any meeting, election or referendum of the state bar and hold office in the state bar. With the exception of the right to practice, an active but not practicing member shall enjoy the same rights and responsibilities as an active member. An active but not practicing shall not be required to comply with mandatory continuing legal education rules and regulations.