

The Academy seeks attorneys with a desire and commitment to develop leadership skills and serve the Utah legal community. The Academy will select approximately twelve class members. The Academy strives to have broad representation and will give special consideration to candidates who are geographically or otherwise diverse.

To apply, you must:

- Be a member in good standing of the Utah State Bar.
- Attend the initial Leadership Academy training retreat to be held February 2026 in California.
- Commit to attend and participate in at least 90% of the meetings.
- Commit to participate for at least one year on a Utah State Bar committee.
- *Preference will be given to attorneys in practice less than 10 years.*

Application Process: Send your completed Application with letters of recommendation and a copy of your resume to Christy Abad - cbad@utahbar.org on or before November 14, 2025. If you have any questions about the program or the requirements listed above, please contact Jenifer Tomchak at jen.tomchak@tomchaklaw.com. Please use this email address for program questions only.

Utah Leadership Academy meets with local and national leaders to discuss a broad range of topics intended to enhance the participants' leadership skills. The training takes place over a two-day workshop, eight meetings, and social activities throughout the year. Participants are mentored in a close-knit setting by highly skilled attorneys and leaders in our community.

The Leadership Academy LAUNCHES with a Retreat in February 2026



Topics May Include:

- + Qualities of Effective Leadership
- + Setting and Achieving Goals
- + The Importance of Perspective
- + Getting to 'Yes'
- + Dealing with Difficult Workplace Situations
- + Networking Skills
- + Identifying and Maximizing Your Leadership Style
- + Finding Balance in an Unbalanced World
- + Improving Oral Advocacy Skills



ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

FOR THE CLASS OF

2026

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Utah State Bar®

LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Ensuring the Bar's Legacy of
Strong & Principled Leadership



APPLY BY NOVEMBER 14
for the chance to become
one of a select group of lawyers from
across the state who have been identified as
EMERGING LEADERS!

**This program is intended to
provide in-depth training by local
and national leaders on a host of
critical issues facing the legal
profession and on developing**

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**EFFECTIVE
LEADERSHIP!**

+ OUR MISSION +

- To develop leaders within the Utah State Bar.
- To nurture effective leadership with respect to ethical, professional, and service-based values.
- To build relationships among leaders in different practice areas and geographical locations in Utah.
- To raise the level of awareness among lawyers regarding the broad range of issues facing the profession.
- To provide an intimate setting to explore leadership topics and be mentored by some of the most influential lawyers in Utah.