Welcome to the Utah State Bar

Lawyers serving the public and legal profession with excellence, civility, and integrity

New Admittee Packet October 2026



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Bar History & Purpose

The regulation of lawyers in Utah has always been closely tied to the Utah Supreme Court. In 1851, during the territorial era, attorneys seeking to practice law petitioned the Court directly for admission.

By the 1890s, the regulation of lawyers rested solely on the authority of the judiciary and on informal gatherings of attorneys, which had begun to develop into coordinated professional associations. In January 1894, prominent territorial attorneys met in Salt Lake City to draft an "organization, constitution, and bylaws," laying the groundwork for a broader professional association.

In 1931, the Utah State Bar was formally established as an administrative arm of the judiciary, operating under the authority of the Utah Supreme Court.

The constitutional foundation was further strengthened in 1984, when Utah voters approved a revised Article VIII, which became effective in 1985. Section 4 reaffirmed the Court's authority over the practice of law and expanded its powers to include creating rules of procedure and evidence for the state's courts and overseeing the appellate process.

Today, the Utah State Bar operates under the continuing supervision of the Supreme Court. It is governed by a Board of Commissioners consisting of 13 voting members, 11 elected attorneys, and two non-lawyers appointed by the Court.

Beyond its licensing and regulatory role, the Bar offers attorney resources in ethics, practice management, wellness, and innovation in legal services. Additionally, the Bar also serves the public and the profession by providing:
· Continuing legal education (requiring 12 credits annually to maintain competence),
· Lawyer Referral and Modest Means programs, and
· Free legal clinics that expand access to justice across the state.

As the Utah State Bar marks its 95th anniversary, it continues to reflect nearly a century of professional self-governance under the guidance of the Utah Supreme Court—protecting the public, supporting lawyers, and advancing justice in Utah.

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Utah State Bar Statement on Belonging

Building our competence to represent and to advocate for a wide range of perspectives and create sustainable, long-term relationships are the backbone of effective lawyering. The Bar values engaging all persons fully.

The Bar shall strive to:

- Make Bar services and activities open, available, and accessible to all members;
- Support the efforts of all members in reaching their highest professional potential;
- Reach out to all members to welcome them to Bar activities, committees, and sections; and
- Promote a culture that values all members of the legal profession and the judicial system.

Join a Bar Committee!

The Utah State Bar and the Board of Bar Commissioners depend on the volunteer efforts of Utah attorneys to help shape the profession and serve the public through the use of standing and special committees. These committees assist the Bar in its oversight and policy-making responsibilities by pursuing general or specific assignments as needed. Committee assignments are made each fiscal year by the incoming President of the Utah State Bar.
Click here to volunteer!

Mandatory CLE Compliance

New Admittees, Lawyers, and Licensed Paralegal Practitioners are required to comply annually with the Mandatory CLE Requirements. MCLE reporting is available online here. For MCLE questions, call 801-746-5230 or email staff@mcleutah.org

Licensing

Attorneys in Utah are required to renew their license to practice every year starting in June. Attorneys will receive license renewal information every year via email and is available online through the Practice Portal. For licensing questions, please contact the licensing department at (801) 297-7023 or email licensing@utahbar.org.

Continuing Legal Education (CLE)

Utah State Bar Continuing Legal Education Department is committed to helping Utah attorneys meet their Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) requirements by providing high quality live and online programs. You can find upcoming CLEs on our **website here,** or suggest a topic or speaker. If you need help planning and hosting your own CLE, email cle@utahbar.org



New Lawyer Training Program

New lawyers with less than two years of practice experience are required to complete the twelve-month NLTP mentoring term before the end of their first MCLE reporting cycle (June 30, 2027). Working with a program-approved mentor, new lawyers create and complete a mentoring plan that is designed to help them navigate their first few years of practice. May admittees must register for the June 2026 session (open now) to finish before the first compliance deadline.

Click here for more information.

Well-Being Committee for the Legal Profession (WCLP)

Taking care of your health and well-being isn't a luxury. It's a necessity for a successful and sustainable career in the law. The WCLP is devoted to promoting well-being in the legal profession, providing programming, resources, and input on creating a thriving and healthy practice. Learn more by visiting the **WCLP webpage,** or contacting the WCLP at wellbeing@utahbar.org



Pro Bono Commission

The Utah State Bar encourages Utah attorneys to support civil legal services organizations and provide pro bono representation as part of their professional responsibility to provide legal services to those unable to pay. A lawyer should aspire to render at least 50 hours of pro bono publico legal services per year. The Pro Bono Commission fosters non-profit legal services providers in their efforts to place clients with attorneys for direct representation. Recent reports find that approximately 320,835 Utahns live below the poverty line. The Bar and the Pro Bono Commission are working to match those people with programs that can help them.

Click here to learn about Pro Bono opportunities and check out the Access to Justice website here.

Utah Law & Justice Center

The Utah Law and Justice Center was built not only as a place to house the Utah State Bar, but also to serve the Utah legal community as a meeting place for CLE events, section and committee meetings, mediations, and other law related gatherings. Our meeting rooms feature a downtown location, free parking, free internet access, basic audio-visual equipment, and personal attention. We can also arrange for beverages, snacks, or meals. More information and pricing is available **here**.

LicensedLawyer.org

There is no fee to lawyers to use this service that lets prospective clients search and connect with local attorneys, filter the results as they choose and then view the profiles of the Utah lawyers who fit their criteria. There is no fee to these prospective clients to use this service either, which is one reason courts use it to refer pro se litigants to counsel. Please go to **LicensedLawyer.org** for more information, and watch this **intro video** to learn how to update your profile.

Consumer Assistance Program

Consumer Assistance Program (CAP) provides prompt, informal assistance to both consumers and attorneys involved in minor conflict with each other. The CAP attorney provides the missing link necessary for successful communication between consumers and their counsel, as consumers strive to understand the law and the procedural rules of the court and as attorneys strive to educate their clients about the law and legal procedure.
Click here for more information.

Lawyers Helping Lawyers

Lawyers Helping Lawyers (LHL) is committed to rendering confidential assistance to any member of the Utah State Bar whose professional performance may be impaired due to substance abuse, grief or other issues. Currently LHL matches those whom it assists with one on one volunteer peer mentors and conducts continuing legal education. Learn more and reach out here.

Fee Dispute Resolution Program

The Utah State Bar maintains a Fee Dispute Committee for the purpose of providing a procedure to resolve fee disputes between clients and their attorneys practicing in the State of Utah. Visit **the website** or contact feearbitration@utahbar.org

Ethics Hotline

Have an ethics question? The Utah State Bar provides confidential guidance about your ethical obligations. For educational information and rule-based guidance, contact the Utah State Bar's Ethics Hotline by emailing ethicshotline@utahbar.org. You'll be given guidance and pointed to the rules and authority that apply to your situation.
Find more **information here.**

Utah Bar Journal

The Utah Bar Journal publishes articles of practical interest to Utah attorneys. The Utah Bar Journal is published six times each year and is received by every bar licensee and subscribers making the current circulation approximately 13,000 and growing. Access to issues of the Utah Bar Journal can be **found here.**

News & Updates

Want to stay updated and aware of things going on at the Bar and in the legal community? Subscribe to the **e-bulletin**, get the latest news on our **Bar Blog** and follow us on Social media!

Comprehensive Support, Unmatched Resources, and Unwavering Advocacy for Your Licensing Fees

Decisis - Legal Research Tool

This licensee benefit provides attorneys and small firms a high-quality legal research solution built with speed, reliability, and affordability in mind. Accurate and trustworthy citator technology, tailored, relevant search results, and access to robust legal content.

Lawyers Helping Lawyers

Lawyers Helping Lawyers is committed to rendering confidential assistance to any licensee of the Utah State Bar whose professional performance is or may be impaired because of mental illness, emotional distress, substance abuse or any other disabling condition or circumstance.

Tava Mental Health

Tava is a free, confidential mental health benefit available to all active licensees of the Utah State Bar. The benefit provides up to 6 free sessions annually with licensed clinicians through Tava's secure, web-based technology platform and a self-help library.

Smokeball Bill

Free for licensees of the Utah State Bar: Smokeball Bill is a trust & billing software that helps law firms manage trust accounting compliantly, bill easily, and get paid faster. Sign up & learn more at the link in the header.

E-Filing

Tybera is an independent e-filing platform to electronically file cases and documents in the Utah Courts. Through the Utah State Bar Practice Portal, you can create and access a Tybera e-filing account. All technical support is provided by Tybera at 801-802-0662 (Mon–Fri, 8:00 AM–5:00 PM); the Utah State Bar does not provide e-filing support.

Your Discounted Services

- AI Support
- Accounting Help
- Consumer Technology Services
- Case Management Tools
- Content Management
- Cybersecurity
- Document Creation & Review Software
- E-Discovery Services
- E-Filing Support
- Electronic Notarization (RON) & eSignature
- Expert Witness
- Legal Technology Training
- Legal Web Developers
- Litigation Support
- Malpractice Insurance
- Managed Service Providers
- Media Partners
- Practice Management Tooles
- Online Payment Providers
- Staffing Services
- Virtual Assistant/Receptionist
- Website & Digital Marketing/SEO

Each header is hyperlinked to learn more about that offer. You can also click here to visit our Business Directory of law-related vendors.

Utah State Bar Peer Network

New adventures can feel challenging, scary and maybe lonely at times. Peer support and a strong network can help attorneys get connected with the community, continue learning about their area of law, and have resources to lean on. Be sure to check out the Sections, Divisions, Regional and Specialty Bars below to start building your network.

Sections and Divisions

The Utah State Bars hosts a variety of sections and divisions, each focused on a particular area of law. They provide CLE activities, legislative guidance, and peer networking and public service opportunities. You can find the full list as well as website links (where applicable) for each of the Bar's Divisions and Sections at https://www.utahbar.org/about/section-division-chairs/

Regional and Specialty Bars

The Utah State Bar works in partnership with the various regional and specialty bar associations. Find a full list including leadership contact information at https://www.utahbar.org/about/meet-regional-bars/



ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH

Admission to the Utah State Bar does not include admission to practice in the United States District Court for the District of Utah (the federal court in Utah). To practice in Utah's federal court, the District of Utah requires a separate online admission application and admission fee. The initial admission fee is currently $199.

After initial admission to Utah's federal district court, there is an annual registration fee (currently $30) to maintain active membership in the court's bar. The annual registration period occurs between June 1 and July 1 each year, and the court will send an email notification to all admitted attorneys when the registration period begins. Admitted attorneys who fail to register by July 1 will be required to pay a reinstatement fee (currently $75.00) to reactivate their membership.

Newly admitted attorneys are not required to pay the annual registration fee for at least 12 months following their initial registration. For example, newly admitted attorneys who pay the initial admission fee of $199 in May will not be required to pay an annual registration fee until the following June, which is at least 12 months later. Attorneys admitted in October will need to pay the registration fee in 20 months.

Attorneys who practice in the District of Utah must comply with the Local Rules of Practice, the requirements of the ECF Procedures Manual, Utah Rules of Professional Conduct, and Utah Standards of Professionalism and Civility.

Please visit www.utd.uscourts.gov/attorney-admissions for information about the District of Utah admission requirements, application, fees, and payment of those fees.

If you have questions, please contact the Clerk's Office at 801-524-6100.

Utah Bar Foundation, 645 South 200 East, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 297-7046, kim@utahbarfoundation.org

Dear New Utah State Bar Licensee:

Welcome to the Utah State Bar! On page two of this letter, you will find the 2026-2027 IOLTA Certification Form. According to the Utah Supreme Court Rules of Professional Practice UCJA Rule 14-1001, IOLTA Program Rules, you are required to annually certify your compliance with the IOLTA (Interest On Lawyers' Trust Accounts) Program. We are asking that you complete this form and file it with the Foundation offices within 30 days. **Completed forms can be emailed to iolta@utahbar.org or mailed to IOLTA Program, 645 South 200 East, SLC, Utah 84111.**

If your IOLTA status changes during the year (i.e., new employment or change of employment, etc.), we would encourage you to complete an updated form and submit it to the IOLTA Program offices.

In future years, this information will be included on the online portal for your Utah State Bar Annual Licensing Form for your convenience.

For questions on the IOLTA Program, please email us at iolta@utahbar.org or visit www.utahbarfoundation.org or call the office at (801)297-7046. A link to a copy of the rules governing Utah client trust accounts can be found on the next page 2026-2027 IOLTA Certification Form.

Sincerely,

Kim Paulding
Executive Director

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UTAH SUPREME COURT IOLTA PROGRAM

Compliance Update Form 2026-2027

USC Rules of Professional Practice Ch. 4-1001. IOLTA Program Rules

SECTION I: ATTORNEY INFORMATION (Review and make updates where applicable)

Attorney: _____ **Bar #:** _____

Firm Name: _____

Firm administrators can report for the entire firm by completing the information below and enclosing a list of all attorneys' names and bar #'s that are associated with the firm.

SECTION II: CURRENT STATUS (Review data and make updates where applicable)

I Certify that (ONE OPTION MUST BE SELECTED):

[ ] I/My firm currently maintain the Utah-based IOLTA client trust account(s) listed below (Please do not include information for any IOLTA account that is held at an out of state bank or reports to a different IOLTA program):

Financial Institution	Name on Account	Account #
Financial Institution	Name on Account	Account #

(Please attach a separate sheet with any additional account(s))

OR

[ ] I am exempt from the IOLTA Program because I do not handle client funds and have no client trust account (i.e. judge, law professor, corporate counsel, inactive status, government attorney, retired, etc.)

OR

[ ] I am exempt from the Utah IOLTA program because my client trust account is located outside the State of Utah and I am in compliance with Rule 1.15. Safekeeping Property and therefore, I do not have a Utah based IOLTA Client Trust Account. (We do not need information on your out of state IOLTA account).

SECTION III: CERTIFICATION OF IOLTA INFORMATION

I hereby certifythat I am incompliance with theUtahSupreme Court Rules ofProfessional Practice, Rule 4-1001, Article 10. IOLTA Rules. Other rules that govern client trust accounts include Rule 1.15. Safekeeping Property.

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Attorney Signature **Date**

For more information on the Utah Supreme Court IOLTA program please visit the website at www.utahbarfoundation.org. **This form can be returned via email to iolta@utahbar.org.**

New Bar Licensees...

SAVE THESE DATES

Nov. 19-20, 2026 - Little America, Salt Lake City

UTAH STATE BAR

FALL FORUM

Registration Now Open!

Mar. 11-12, 2027 - Dixie Center, St. George

Spring Convention in St. George

utahbar.org/cle/conventions

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES!

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION HOURS!

Help new clients find YOU



An Overview of Licensed Lawyer

Licensed Lawyer is a free, online, public directory of attorneys provided by the Utah State Bar. Attorney listings are free, but are limited to Utah State Bar members who are in good standing.

As potential clients browse the directory, they can target their search based on their specific needs, then view the profiles of those Bar members who meet their criteria. To be included in these enhanced searches, you will need to customize your profile to include the information clients would look for, such as:

- **practice areas,**
- **credentials,**
- **years in practice,**
- **fee structures, and more**

Be sure to check the box indicating that you are accepting new clients!

You will be able to track hits on your profile from within your personal account log in and adjust your profile, as needed, to increase your results!

Activate your FREE Licensed Lawyer profile today!

Why Licensed Lawyer?

The Utah State Bar's Licensed Lawyer serves a dual purpose:

1. **To help Utah Bar members connect with potential clients.**
2. **To make it easier for the public to find qualified legal representation.**

Who will use it?

The Bar is aggressively promoting LicensedLawyer.org to the public – directly as well as through civic, religious, and community groups whose members may look to them for a lawyer referral. The goal is to help Utah lawyers connect to the individuals and businesses who need our services.

LicensedLawyer.org

TRUSTED Licensed Lawyer

Make the most of your Licensed Lawyer Profile

Basic information is automatically included in your listing, similar to the member directory on utahbar.org. To customize your profile and be included in enhanced searches, follow these steps:

1 Login at **https://www.LicensedLawyer.org/login** using the same information as you use for your Bar account.

2 Once you are logged in, select **My Dashboard** at the top of the page then select **Update Profile** from the left menu.

3 Confirm your basic information is correct and add any missing information. A customized profile should include:

- A profile picture
- A statement or practice overview
- Your contact information, including a link to your website
- Your experience level
- Your education
- A list of your fields of practice
- Fee arrangements, including if you are willing to accept a reduced rate for qualified lower income clients
- Engagement types – single hearing, full representation, reviewing documents, consultation, etc.
- Geographic areas served
- Languages spoken
- Licensing in other states
- Social media contacts

4 To be included in all search options, **UNCHECK** the box to **"OPT IN"** and **CHECK** the box for **accepting new clients**. If you need help or don't know your login information just contact LicensedLawyer@utahbar.org.

A free member benefit from the

Utah State Bar.

Licensed Lawyer



Take advantage of your free, confidential mental health benefit.

6 sessions per year [1]

easy online scheduling

Book online video or in-person sessions at a time that works for you—day, night, or weekend.

diverse network of licensed therapists

Access a nationwide network of qualified clinicians to meet your unique needs with proven, evidence-based care.

continued care after covered sessions

Ongoing care is simple and affordable with many therapists accepting insurance and cash-pay options.

mental health library accessible 24/7

Explore self-serve resources, including self-care and mindfulness content, to support your well-being anytime.

care.tavahealth.com/signup/utahstatebar

1 All Active Utah State Bar Licensees & Employees

FAQ

Is online, video-based therapy effective?
Yes, research shows online, video-based therapy is as effective as in-person care in diagnosis, treatment, quality of care, and patient satisfaction.
The American Psychiatric Association supports it as a validated and effective practice, enhancing access while ensuring privacy and ethical standards.

Whether you're feeling stressed, stuck, or facing other challenges, Tava can help. Support is available for a variety of issues, including:

- Family issues
- Addiction
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Eating disorders
- LGBTQ+ issues
- Grief and loss
- Life changes
- Postpartum issues
- PTSD
- Trauma
- Relationship issues
- Stress
- Work pressure
- and more...

Schedule your online appointment at **care.tavahealth.com/signup/utahstatebar**

WCLP

Well-being Committee For The Legal Profession

Your well-being matters. It is strongly correlated with professional success, higher cognitive ability, better memory, improved executive functioning, physical health and longevity, better relationships, lower divorce rates, resilience to stress, better perceptions of work / life balance, and a lower risk of developing the mental health and substance use concerns that too many of our colleagues face.

DEFINING LAWYER WELL-BEING

A CONTINUOUS PROCESS IN WHICH LAWYERS STRIVE FOR THRIVING IN EACH DIMENSION OF THEIR LIVES:



EMOTIONAL

Value emotions. Develop ability to identify and manage our emotions to support mental health, achieve goals, & inform decisions. Seek help for mental health when needed.



INTELLECTUAL

Engage in continuous learning. Pursue creative or intellectually challenging activities that foster ongoing development. Monitor cognitive wellness.



OCCUPATIONAL

Cultivate personal satisfaction, growth, & enrichment in work. Strive to maintain financial stability.

PHYSICAL

Strive for regular activity, good diet & nutrition, enough sleep, & recovery. Limit addictive substyances. Seek help for physical health when needed.



SPIRITUAL

Develop a sense of meaningfulness and purpose in all aspects of life.



SOCIAL

Develop connections, a sense of belonging, & a reliable support network. Contribute to our groups & communities.

Discuss your specific situation in a free initial consultation with a lawyer at our firm

The Well-Being Committee for the Legal Profession ("WCLP") is chaired by Utah Supreme Court Justice Paige Petersen & Attorney Stacia Sidlow.

Learn More at www.utahbar.org/well-being/

Welcome Messages & Info Associated Groups/Programs

Labor & Employment Law

The Labor & Employment Section of the Bar invites you to join its membership. The Section sponsors various CLEs and socials each year where you can meet and learn from labor and employment attorneys of all stripes: employee-side, employer-side, transactional-focused, litigation-focused, in-house counsel, and more. Employment law touches various aspects of nearly every business, organization, and government, so there is always work to be done. And with frequent changes to employment law at state, federal, and agency levels, there is always something new to learn.

Elder Law Section

Welcome! Please consider joining the Elder Law Section. The Elder Law Section promotes education & mentorship for attorneys practicing in areas that impact vulnerable adults including estate planning, guardianships & conservatorships, special needs planning, veterans benefits, trust and estate administration, property rights, and Medicaid planning.

Cannabis Law Section

The Cannabis Law Section works to connect, inform, guide, and support practitioners in this highly regulated and technical area of law. The Section is comprised of a network of highly skilled practitioners working together to interpret the rules, regulations, and industry developments in order to further best practice guidelines for this developing industry. The Section provides benefits to members by providing networking and education opportunities to attorneys who practice in or are interested in the practice of cannabis law. The Section serves as a repository of information to guide practitioners through these highly technical areas of law, provides advice to the Bar, as requested, on proposed legislation, court rules, and other matters, and provides resources and education to legislators and regulators.

Family Law Section

The Family Law Section is one of the most robust and active sections of the Bar. We have informative lunch CLEs every month on a variety of applicable topics in family law—from taxes to custody evaluations to personality disorders. We host an all-day seminar every June, with nationally recognized keynote speakers and fascinating topics, including a judge's panel, legislative update, and case law update. Additionally, we host an annual Holiday Party, and we also have representation and family law presentations at the Fall Forum, Spring Convention, and Annual Bar Convention. **All are welcome in our active Section! Learn more here.**

Banking and Finance

The Banking and Finance Section of the bar serves attorneys interested in financial services, including commercial and consumer finance, fintech, and federal and state banking regulation. We usually host two high quality CLEs each year at low or no cost to Section members, honor two bar members with the "Lawyer of the Year" award and "Distinguished Service" award, and monitor legal, regulatory and political issues of importance to Section members.

Government & Administrative Law Section

The Government and Administrative Law Section of the bar is geared towards those who regularly provide administrative law services for or legal advice to governmental entities. We strive to:

- provide several high quality CLEs each year at no cost to Section members;
- provide opportunities and forums for Section members and others to network and exchange ideas regarding the provision of legal advice to governmental entities; and
- monitor legal and political issues relevant to Section members and making recommendations to the Bar regarding those issues.

Membership is free for new admittees. We would love to have you join us! To become a member and receive notifications about our events, sign up for the Government and Administrative Law Section on your bar registration form.

Estate Planning Section

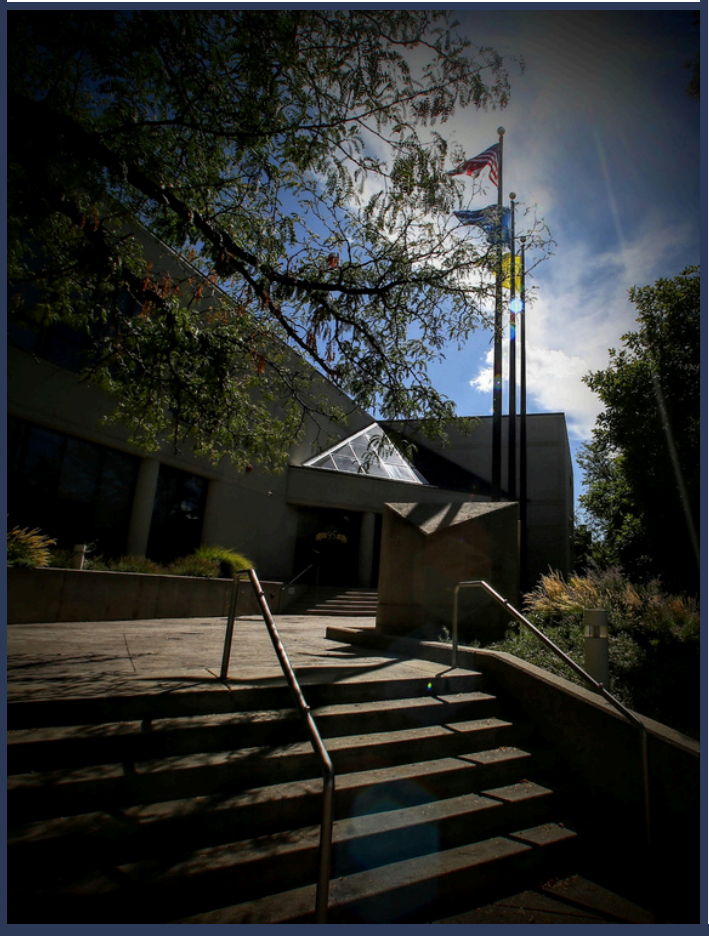
The Estate Planning Section of the Utah State Bar offers new admittees a welcoming & resource-rich environment to begin their practice in estate law. Members benefit from high-quality monthly CLEs that cover timely and practical topics in wills, trusts, probate, and tax planning. The section also provides valuable opportunities for networking, mentorship, and involvement in shaping the future of estate law in Utah through membership and events.

Appellate Practice Section

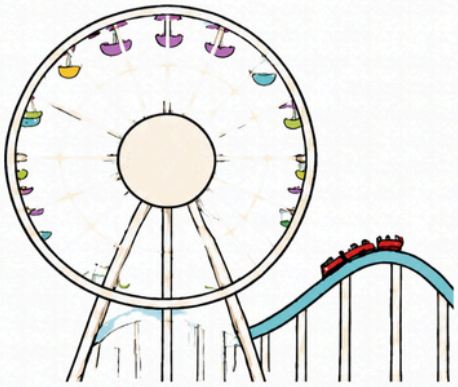
The Appellate Practice Section works to enhance the standards of practice before the state and federal appellate courts. We sponsor presentations about oral and written advocacy, appellate procedures, and substantive law of interest to our members. The Section regularly invites judges from the state and federal appellate courts to present at our CLEs. We also provide opportunities for the bench and bar to meet and discuss appropriate topics of mutual interest. Please contact the Section chair if you have any questions about the section or ideas for CLEs.

ENREL Section

Are you interested in environmental and natural resources law? Consider joining the ENREL Section of the Bar (ENREL stands for “Energy, Natural Resources & Environmental Law”). The ENREL section offers regular continuing legal education opportunities, provides updates regarding developments in the law (including environmental, energy, oil and gas, mining, water, and public lands updates), and seeks to connect you with other ENREL members and practitioners in these areas. Become a member today!



YLD UPCOMING EVENTS



CLE AT LAGOON AMUSEMENT PARK

October 17 | 11:00 AM–12:00 PM

Attend the Liability Coaster CLE, a legal education event exploring product liability and personal injury claims.

Lagoon Amusement Park



VETERANS CLINIC

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November 12

Help serve our community by providing legal assistance to veterans at the VA campus in Salt Lake City.

VA campus, Salt Lake City



WINTER GALA

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November 13

Celebrate art, winter wonder, and meaningful connection with an evening of creativity, culture, and shared experiences in the galleries.

Utah Museum of Fine Arts

Follow us on Instagram @utahyld for more updates!

Women Lawyers of Utah

FALL 2026

AN INVITATION TO NEW MEMBERS OF THE UTAH STATE BAR

Membership is open to every Utah attorney.

Women Lawyers of Utah helps its members build and advance their careers, and works to further the cause of women in Utah law. We educate, connect, and support — and we press for a justice system, and a profession, that answer to women's needs.

Founded in 1981, WLU is one of the largest voluntary bar organizations in the state.



Members at the WLU annual retreat.

Your first year is free.

Membership is free for first-year lawyers. Log in to your Utah State Bar portal and add WLU — it takes about two minutes.

A FEW THINGS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

Annual Retreat

NOVEMBER 6–7, 2026

Two days to socialize, relax, and earn CLE credit alongside other women lawyers.

Banter with the Bench

EACH YEAR

An evening to get to know the women judges serving on our courts.

Girl Scouts Outreach

ROAD HOME, MIDVALE

Mentor girls at the Midvale shelter — some of them future women lawyers.

2026 OFFICERS

Ashley Gregson
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Melissa Reynolds
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Past President

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Treasurer

Jen Tomchak
Secretary

What membership gives you

A network you can call on

Hundreds of colleagues across firms, government, and in-house practice — for referrals, business development, and the questions you would rather not ask a partner.

Mentoring, formal and otherwise

Confidential one-on-one mentoring with experienced attorneys, plus judicial mentoring events like Banter with the Bench and the annual Fireside with former Chief Justice Durham.

Free CLE, roughly twelve a year

Sharpen your practice and earn credit at no cost. For a new lawyer, this alone covers most of what dues would have been.

Events out of the office

The annual retreat, mentoring socials, service projects, and the occasional golf outing. Reconnect with classmates and meet the people you will be practicing with for decades.







COMMITTEES

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CLEs
Melinda Bowen

Retreat
Shelby Hughes

Judicial Mentoring
Olivia Shaughnessy

In-House Liaison
Naz Scott

WLU Advisor
Pat Christensen

Join us.

1. Log in to your Utah State Bar portal.
2. Add Women Lawyers of Utah to your sections. First-year lawyers pay nothing.
3. Join our Facebook group, watch for our weekly emails, and come to something this season.

QUESTIONS
womenlawyersofutah@gmail.com

Congratulations!

SLCBA
SALT LAKE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

October 2026

On behalf of the Salt Lake County Bar Association, congratulations and welcome to the Utah State Bar. We are here to help you build meaningful professional relationships, strengthen your practice, and feel at home in Salt Lake County's legal community.

The **Salt Lake County Bar Association ("SLCBA")** welcomes Utah State Bar members who live or practice in Salt Lake County. Through high-quality continuing legal education, engaging social programs, and opportunities to connect across the profession, we help members build enduring relationships and rewarding careers.

SLCBA creates distinctive opportunities to connect with fellow lawyers, judges, and leaders of the local bench and bar—relationships that can enrich both your practice and your professional life. Our signature gatherings include the annual **Holiday Dinner Dance**—one of the year's most anticipated legal-community events—**December 4, 2026**, at **Salt Lake Country Club**; as well as **Trialapalooza** and **Appealapalooza**, where members engage informally with district court judges and members of the Utah Court of Appeals, Utah Supreme Court, and Tenth Circuit. Please be on the lookout for invitations to these special events and reserve your spot before space runs out. Join us at **www.slcba.net** to begin receiving our electronic newsletter featuring profiles of new judges and practitioners, local recommendations, and timely commentary on issues affecting the legal community.

We especially hope you will join us at our annual **New Lawyers' & Judges' Reception**, a relaxed and welcoming evening created to celebrate newly admitted lawyers, to welcome recently appointed judges, and to introduce you to the SLCBA community.

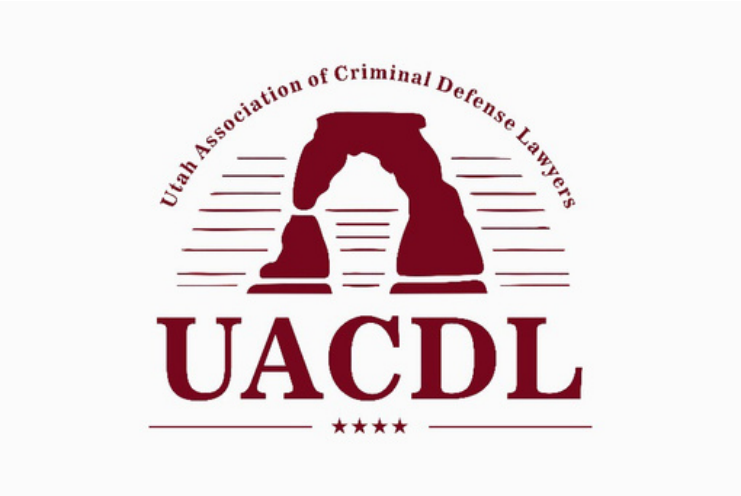
Thursday, October 22, 2026, from 5:30–8:30p.m.
Alta Club, 100 East South Temple
Hors d'oeuvres and drinks. Business casual attire. RSVP encouraged, but not required.

For more information about SLCBA, to RSVP for the reception, and to learn about upcoming events, follow us on **Instagram @slcba_utah, Facebook and Linkedin** at **Salt Lake County Bar Association**. **Your first year of membership is free.**

We look forward to meeting you, celebrating this important milestone, and welcoming you into the SLCBA community. Again, congratulations!

Kate Conyers

Kate Conyers, President



Since 1991 the Utah Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (UACDL) has been a cornerstone of legal education and assistance to Utah's criminal defense attorneys. UACDL provides high quality CLEs to its hundreds of members, along with a growing brief bank, and an active email group where attorneys can send each other messages and get helpful advice in a collaborative environment.

UACDL is also a proud advocate for criminal justice. Its members speak at the legislature, file amicus briefs in our appellate courts, and serve in advisory committees on applicable rules of procedure. Many of our members will attest that membership in UACDL is the smartest investment they make to further their practice every year.

If you intend to practice criminal law, don't do it without support. Please visit uacdl.org for more information.

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The Utah Association for Justice (UAJ) is a nonprofit trial lawyers association dedicated to preserving justice and accountability in the State of Utah. Its membership consists of personal injury, medical malpractice, workers' compensation, and social security disability attorneys, all of whom devote the majority of their practice to plaintiff's work. Below is a brief overview of some of our member benefits and resources.

Discounted Admission to CLE's – Attend CLE programming at a reduced price. UAJ reports and pays all associated MCLE fees.

Specialized ListServs – If eligibility requirements are met, UAJ members are given access to these invaluable emailing networks that allow you to communicate with fellow members. Questions regarding what experts to use, strategies you might follow in a case, current court decisions, and recent jury verdicts are often discussed on the ListServ. Specialized lists include Personal Injury, Medical Malpractice, Workers' Compensation, Social Security, Employment Law, and Criminal Law.

Access to Closed Door Plaintiff Exchanges – These members only events serve as excellent learning tools where plaintiff lawyers share insight and information in a private and trusted environment. Plaintiff Exchanges often feature attorneys providing summaries of recent jury verdicts and how the same were obtained, recent changes in case law, and how the same may affect our work and often more formal presentations training plaintiff lawyers on how to best represent their clients.

Legislative Advocacy – The UAJ's Legislative Committee works tirelessly before, during, and after each year's Legislative Session to defend the interests of Utahns and to ensure that Utah courts remain open to people living in this state.

If you are planning on practicing in any of the areas we support, we invite you to join us! Acknowledge the Utah State Bar in the "Who referred you to UAJ?" field when you apply and receive a 50% discount on your first year's dues!

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INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION

Utah has always been the crossroads of the West and is increasingly becoming a crossroads of the world. Utah businesses export around $18 billion in goods and services each year, and 85% of Utah exporters are small/medium-sized enterprises.

If you are interested in:

- International Trade
- International Transactions
- International Tax Compliance
- International Disputes
- International Intellectual Property Prosecution & Enforcement
- International Regulatory Compliance
- International Employment & Immigration

JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION!

Free one-year membership for all new members of the Bar

Section members receive discounts on all section CLE events

Section Chair: Clifford Blair (cblair@kmclaw.com)

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Business *Law* Section

Your professional home for business law practice in Utah

Whether you advise startups, negotiate commercial transactions, or litigate shareholder disputes — this is your community.

The Business Law Section of the Utah State Bar offers a community of practitioners committed to advancing the practice of business law throughout the state. We welcome new lawyers and seasoned practitioners alike, and are especially invested in supporting attorneys entering this practice area for the first time.

Who We Serve

The Section serves transactional and litigation attorneys across every corner of Utah — solo practitioners, in-house counsel, and attorneys at firms of every size. Our members work across industries from technology and finance to real estate, manufacturing, and professional services. If your practice touches business entities, contracts, commercial disputes, M&A, securities, or any related area, the Section is for you.

Continuing Legal Education

Education is at the heart of what we do. The Section regularly produces substantive CLE programming designed for both new and experienced practitioners — timely programs led by experts on practical issues in business law.

Networking Across the State

The Section hosts regular networking events, section meetings, and informal gatherings that bring practitioners together across firms and geography. For new lawyers, these connections are invaluable — referral sources, sounding boards for difficult issues, and lasting professional friendships within the Utah bar.

Resources for Your Practice

Members receive access to practice updates and curated resources addressing recurring issues in Utah business law. We maintain channels for members to pose questions to colleagues and share insights on emerging issues — giving you a network of experienced practitioners to consult as your practice grows.

Get Involved

The Section thrives because its members contribute their time. Whether you want to write, speak at a CLE, plan an event, or simply attend — we welcome your participation. New lawyers are especially encouraged to engage early. Section involvement is among the most effective ways to build a reputation and a professional network in Utah's business law community.

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Membership Benefits

- High-value CLE programming
- Annual section conference
- Attorney directory access
- Practice updates & resources
- Peer Q&A channels
- Statewide networking events
- Committee leadership roles
- Speaking opportunities

Open to All Members

Membership in the Business Law Section is open to all Utah State Bar licensees. Join, attend an upcoming program, and become part of a community committed to excellence.

Practice Areas

Business entities · Commercial contracts · Mergers & acquisitions · Securities · Real estate · Technology · Finance · Litigation · In-house counsel

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BECOME A MEMBER

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UPC | UTAH PROSECUTION COUNCIL

Training and Serving Utah Prosecutors Since 1990

As a new prosecutor, welcome to the **Utah Prosecution Council (UPC)**. The mission of UPC is to provide quality training for state and local prosecutors as well as law enforcement officers through an exchange of information and experience to ensure the administration of justice reflecting the highest ethical and professional standards.

By attending one of our annual conferences, you'll earn enough CLE to renew your license each year. Here's a sampling of the various conferences we sponsor annually:

Visit us at : UPC.UTAH.GOV



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Spring Conference(April): Ourcaselawandlegislative update.

Basic Prosecutor Course (August): Designed to give you a jumpstart on your career as a prosecutor.

Fall Conference (September): Geared towards felony prosecutors, but all are welcome.

Misdemeanor Prosecutor Conference (November): For City and County prosecutors who prosecute misdemeanor offenses.

Visual Trial Skills: This course will teach you how to use PowerPoint to make your trials more visually appealing. It's offered four times per year.

JOHN R. JUSTICE (JRJ) STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT GRANT PROGRAM

UPC manages this program for the State of Utah. Applications are accepted early each calendar year. For more information: **https://upc.utah.gov/jrj/index.html**

PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS

As a prosecutor, you may be eligible to have your student loans forgiven after you have made 120-consecutive payments. For more information : **https://studentaid.gov/manage-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/public-service**