

WHY JOIN LACDL?

- **CLE SEMINARS**, LACDL sponsors four-seven CLE seminars each year, all at a discounted rate for members. The seminars feature practitioners of contemporary trial tactics along with state and nationally recognized experts to discuss legal issues challenging the criminal defense bar.
- **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY**, LACDL's Membership Directory provides quick access to Louisiana's leading criminal defense lawyers.
- **LACDL LIST SERVE**, the List Serve is reserved for members of LACDL. It provides a quick and easy way to contact colleagues to discuss pressing legal issues and hard to answer questions.
- **ATTORNEY ASSISTANCE**, Our members are ready to step in when member attorneys are prosecuted, subpoenaed or cited for contempt for their vigorous defense of their clients.
- **LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY**, LACDL has an aggressive program of legislative action. We retain a Lobbyist who, along with the Legislative Committee, provides continuous and aggressive representation on issues of importance to the criminal defense bar.
- **QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER**, the LACDL *Advocate* offers great information to members.
- **AMICUS ACTION**, Our Amicus Committee files briefs in state and federal courts each year, providing defense counsel and the judiciary with expertise on issues affecting the constitutional rights of the accused.
- **STATE OFFICE**, LACDL has its state office in Baton Rouge with a full-time staff for assisting members.
- **LACDL WEB SITE**, With LACDL's Web site, www.lacdl.org, members can stay abreast of all upcoming events and sign up to receive registration forms for upcoming seminars.



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**LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION OF
CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS**

WHAT IS LACDL

The Louisiana Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers was formed by a group of criminal defense lawyers in 1985.

Almost three decades later and with more than 500 members throughout Louisiana, it remains a vital cornerstone of support.

Membership in LACDL means joining your fellow defenders in the struggle for liberty, individual rights, the basic principle of due process and the fundamental right to a fair trial.

LACDL affords its members the opportunity to network with peers who share in the passion to protect individual rights and those of the accused. With membership in LACDL, you are not alone!

PURPOSE & MISSION

The purposes of the Association shall be:

To protect and insure by rule of law those individual rights guaranteed by the Louisiana and Federal Constitutions in criminal cases;
To resist any efforts which are being made to curtail these rights;

To encourage cooperation between lawyers engaged in the furtherance of these objectives through educational programs and other assistance; and through this cooperation, education and assistance to promote justice and the common good;

To assist the courts, legislature, and law enforcement agencies in accomplishing their legitimate functions consistent with the rule of law and the protection of individual rights guaranteed by the Louisiana and United States Constitutions.

MEMBER TESTIMONIALS



"Personally the benefits I have received from my membership in LACDL far outweigh the efforts I put in."

"Joining the LACDL List Serve is the greatest benefit. It is like being a member of a 400-person Criminal Defense firm where you have the ability to brainstorm your case and ideas with both the youngest and brightest minds and the older more seasoned and experienced practitioners"

"My association with LACDL has put me in touch with the most ethical and professional lawyers I have ever met. Being around these people and hearing how they approach tough issues has been tremendously helpful to me."

"The LACDL Listserve is the greatest thing since sliced bread. They are always willing to listen and respond with an example brief, a memo, some case citations or just some sound advice."

"The nature of our work as criminal defense counsel makes us lone wolves that must tend our clients despite all odds. It can get real scary sometimes. LACDL has been a wonderful support network for information, resources, and support for me in those times when I was sure I was all Alone out there and that is about the warmest feeling you can get in this business!"

"As a young criminal defense attorney, just out of law school and newly moved to Louisiana, I was thrilled and more than a bit awed to join LACDL and rub elbows with the most famous and highly regarded criminal defense attorneys in Louisiana. That has not changed as the years have passed by. All those hard-working, amazing lawyers have always been willing to answer any question I might have (no matter how dumb that question might be), to represent me when I have needed it (and I have needed it), and to both lend a shoulder to cry on when times were tough and raise a glass when it has been time to celebrate. LACDL helps me keep on remembering why I practice criminal defense law."

"The LACDL listserv is like an online brainstorm. It's the first place I go whenever I have a question in a difficult case, need help finding an expert or just want to exchange ideas and information, with other members."

"The generosity of the members of this listserv never ceases to amaze me. What a great benefit of this organization."

Thanks to all of those who responded to my listserv question. These immediate responses make me a better lawyer overnight.

"This listserv is such a tremendous benefit. Invaluable."

"As always, thank you for the help. This listserv is the best place to gather useful info and at least point me in the right direction."

"Our Legislative Grass Roots campaign is growing each year with much more success than ever before."

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If you would like to join our member only listserv, please e-mail your FULL NAME with "request to join the listserv" in the subject line to jill@tatmangroup.com



BECOMING A MEMBER OF LACDL

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY, STATE _____
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FAX (____) _____
STATE BAR # _____
E-MAIL _____

ANNUAL DUES (please select one):

____ LIFETIME MEMBER: \$2000*
____ SUSTAINING MEMBER:*** \$ 250 **
____ REGULAR MEMBER*** \$ 150
____ INDIGENT DEFENDER \$ 75
____ NEW ATTORNEY (less than 2 years) \$ 75
____ ASSOCIATE MEMBER (non-lawyer) \$ 50
____ LAW STUDENT MEMBER \$ 10

*** Sustaining and Regular Member Dues include up to 6 hours of LACDL CLE. Membership is non-transferable. You must attend an LACDL CLE seminar before December 31st. After December 31st, the CLE membership will expire. The CLE voucher is good for only one CLE Seminar, any unused hours will be forfeited.

LACDL CLE MEMBER SUBSCRIBER DUES

____ CLE PARTNER MEMBER SUBSCRIBER \$350
Includes a 12.5 hours CLE voucher The subscription is non-transferable. You must attend an LACDL CLE seminar by December 31st. After December 31st, the CLE membership will expire. The CLE voucher is good for only one CLE Seminar, any unused hours will be forfeited.

____ CLE AFFILIATE MEMBER SUBSCRIBER \$150
Includes a 6 hours CLE voucher. The subscription is non-transferable. You must attend an LACDL CLE seminar by December 31st. After December 31st, the CLE membership will expire. The CLE voucher is good for only one CLE Seminar, any unused hours will be forfeited.

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* Lifetime Members show their support of LACDL by paying a one-time membership fee and are entitled to all LACDL services and are exempt from paying annual membership dues and seminar registration fees.

** Sustaining Members believe in and support LACDL by paying an amount over and above the minimum required to continue membership.