



Membership Application

The Disability Rights Bar Association (DRBA) is a mission-based Bar Association established for the purpose of defending and advancing the civil, legal and human rights of individuals with disabilities. DRBA welcomes membership applications from attorneys working in the area of Disability Rights Law as litigators, academics or policy advocates.

Members of DRBA act pursuant to a number of shared values and common objectives. See, disabilityrights-law.org. As such, membership is selective, and requires that individuals confirm, on an annual basis, that their work befits and forwards a disability rights agenda.

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Name:

Organization / Firm / Employer Name & Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Organization / Firm / Employer Description:

Describe your involvement and/or interest in disability rights and the disability rights movement.

Please indicate your membership description: (check all that apply)

- Law Professor
- Legal Aid Organization
- Legal Nonprofit (not Legal Aid)
- Other Nonprofit
- Private Law Firm (# of lawyers):
- Other (please describe):

Number of years practicing Disability Rights Law, teaching Disability Rights Law, and/or otherwise advocating for the civil and legal rights of people with disabilities (e.g., policy work):

How did you find out about the DRBA?

Were you referred by a current Member of DRBA? If so, please provide the member's name and contact information

Please provide any additional information you would like the Membership Committee to consider in reviewing your application to join the Disability Rights Bar Association.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR PRACTICING LAWYERS

Please estimate the relative percentages of your practice over the past 5 years. [Provide your best estimates that total 100%]

Area of Law / Party	Percentage
Enforcement of disability and/or civil rights laws.	
Defense of parties facing claims under disability and/ or civil rights laws.	
Others (specify)	
Total	100%

If you currently provide representation to respondents or defendants in disability or civil rights cases, please describe this work and the frequency with which you engage in this work.

Do you have any subspecialties within Disability Rights Law? (e.g., special education or employment?) If yes, please describe.

Please provide examples of representative cases you have handled under Disability Rights Laws, if any.

Membership Attestation

By signing below, I attest to the following facts: (1) that the information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge; and (2) my work befits and forwards a disability rights agenda.

Date:

Signature:

Please email your completed form to drbalaw@syr.edu
or fax to: DRBA, 315-443-9725

Thank you for your interest in the Disability Rights Bar Association.

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