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NEW OPPORTUNITIES!

Entering law school was the first step toward becoming a part of a distinguished and respected profession. Take the next step by joining your professional association, the Ohio State Bar Association. The OSBA is providing you the opportunity to become an active part of the profession while you are still in law school through its associate membership program. Take advantage of the many opportunities to become involved in the OSBA and help shape the future of the legal profession in Ohio.

To join the Ohio State Bar Association, please call the OSBA Member Service Center at (800) 232-7124 or (614) 487-8585, or visit our Web site at www.ohiobar.org.

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STUDENT

MEMBERSHIP

Student membership in the Ohio State Bar Association is free to any student enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school. Membership provides students with many valuable benefits, including those outlined in this brochure. For more information on these services or to join, visit the OSBA Web site at www.ohiobar.org.



OHIO STATE BAR ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS

Law Student News is a bimonthly e-newsletter designed specifically for student associate members. *Law Student News* contains feature articles of interest to law school students, news from Ohio law schools and information about the OSBA.

A great study guide and research aid, the *OSBA Report Online*[®] is sent weekly, also by e-mail. It includes case summaries and links to the full text of all Supreme Court of Ohio decisions, as well as decisions from the courts of appeals and trial courts, through Casemaker. The *OSBA Report Online* also contains links to weekly job postings. (The printed version of the *OSBA Report*[®] is available to students at the reduced rate of \$25 per year.)

Published bimonthly, *Ohio Lawyer*[®] examines legal trends and issues through feature articles. Regular columns include commentary on professional ethics, an overview of the latest news from the Ohio legislature and reports on OSBA activities. Students are encouraged to submit articles for consideration for *Law Student News* and *Ohio Lawyer*.



COMMITTEES & SECTIONS

The OSBA has 10 sections and more than 40 committees that focus on specific areas of the law. Getting involved in committee and section work as a student is an excellent way to get more involved in the Ohio State Bar Association. It can also assist you in determining the area of law in which you might ultimately want to practice.

Committees and sections work to accomplish their goals and objectives by making recommendations, drafting legislative proposals and/or developing programs. They typically meet three times per year - in January, May and September. Other meetings are held throughout the year as needed. Committee membership is free to all interested OSBA members. Student associate members can join any section by paying the special student rate of \$3 per year. Membership in the New Lawyers Section is free for law student members.

CASEMAKER ONLINE LEGAL RESEARCH

Students receive free access to a wide assortment of legal research services while in school. Upon graduation, only one service will continue to remain free for practicing attorneys. That service is Casemaker[®]. Casemaker provides access to the following library resources: Supreme Court of Ohio opinions; Ohio appellate court opinions; Ohio unreported opinions; Ohio Revised Code; Ohio Administrative Code; official Ohio Jury Instructions; Ohio Attorney General opinions; Ohio Court Rules; case law from all 50 states; a Federal library featuring U.S. Supreme Court opinions; and more. To find out more, visit the OSBA Web site at www.ohiobar.org and click on Casemaker.

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Student members have access to career services on the OSBA Web site at www.ohiobar.org. Visit the OSBA Legal Career Center to search jobs and post your resume, and to access career and practice development resources, including a Student Lounge area. Bookmark the *OSBA Report Online* area of the site to access our weekly classified ads as well.

INSURANCE OFFERINGS

The OSBA Insurance Agency provides all OSBA members with a variety of insurance programs at competitive rates. Individual and group medical, short-term medical, dental, disability, life, and business overhead insurance programs are all available to members.

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

The OSBA offers student members many opportunities to meet and network with practicing attorneys throughout Ohio. In addition to the committee and section meetings, annual district meetings are held locally in each of the OSBA's 18 districts across the state, and the OSBA Annual Convention draws close to 1,000 attorneys to seminars and social events. The OSBA encourages student members to attend these meetings for free.

DISCOUNT PROGRAMS

Every year OSBA staff develops relationships with vendors who offer our members discounts on products and services that benefit them and their practices. Student members may take advantage of all of these programs as well. To find out more about these programs, visit the OSBA Web site.

LAW SCHOOL LIAISONS

Each law school has an OSBA law school liaison whose job it is to help promote the OSBA at their school and to be available to answer questions regarding the OSBA. To find your liaison, check the latest issue of *Law Student News*. You may also contact OSBA Law School Liaison/Meetings Assistant Cheryl Minnick at (800) 282-6556 if you have a question, or if you are interested in serving as your school's liaison.