

**United States Supreme Court
Admissions Program**

Washington, D.C.
June 13, 2016

Sponsored by the
New York State Bar Association
Young Lawyers Section



NYSBA Members are Invited to Spend An Exciting Day in Our Nation's Capital

To qualify for admission to the bar of the United States Supreme Court, you must have been admitted to practice in the highest court of a State, Commonwealth, Territory, Possession or the District of Columbia since at least June 12, 2013.

Washington, D.C. in June is a lovely city. Please plan on joining us for an exciting experience, culminating with your admission to the Supreme Court of the United States.



Schedule of Events

Sunday, June 12, 2016

- 4:00-6:00 pm Young Lawyers Section Executive Committee Meeting (All Welcome), The Phoenix Park Hotel
- 6:00-7:00 pm Welcome Reception

Monday, June 13, 2016

- 7:50 am Walk to Supreme Court (about an 8 minute walk)
- 8:00 am Meet on Courthouse steps for group photo
- 8:10 am Security Checkpoint
- 8:20 am Continental Breakfast at Supreme Court
- 9:15 am Guests escorted to Courtroom
- 9:30 am Admittees escorted to Courtroom
- 10:00 am Admission Ceremony
- 11:45 am Champagne Lunch at The Phoenix Park Hotel

Program Particulars

The admissions program is limited to **50 applicants**, so early completion and submission of your application and court admission fee (separate from this pre-registration) is strongly advised, after you pre-register.

To qualify for admission to the Bar of the United States Supreme Court, an applicant must have been admitted to practice in the highest court of a State, Commonwealth, Territory or Possession, or the District of Columbia for a period of at least three years immediately before the date of application; must not have been the subject of an adverse disciplinary action pronounced or in effect during that 3-year period; and must appear to the Court to be of good moral and professional character.

After you submit your pre-registration form (due no later than December 21, 2015) and appropriate pre-registration fee(s), you will receive, in mid-January, a complete packet of instructions, formal application form, personal history sheet and list of sponsors in your area with whom you may choose to meet. If you know of other U.S. Supreme Court admittees (not on the list provided) who are willing to serve as your sponsor(s), please feel free to contact them directly.

Hotel Accommodations

The Phoenix Park Hotel, a Capitol Hill Hotel will be our headquarters for this program. The Phoenix Park Hotel is conveniently located within walking distance to most points of interest, including the United States Supreme Court.

Individual attendees may reserve a room by calling 1-877-237-2082 or 202-638-6900 and identify themselves as a member of the New York State Bar Association Group.

Room Rates

\$189 single/double occupancy

Hotel Cut-off date: May 11, 2016

Pre-Registration Activity Deposit

The registration fees cover the processing fees, welcome reception, continental breakfast at the Supreme Court and the champagne lunch immediately following the admissions ceremony.

\$185.00 - Member Attorney Registration Fee

\$250.00 - Non-Member Attorney Registration Fee

\$185.00 - Spouse/Guest Registration Fee

Supreme Court Fee

The above noted pre-registration fee does not include the Supreme Court admission fee of \$200. This fee is due with your application, no later than March 18, 2016.

Registration fees do not include hotel accommodations. Reservations must be made directly with The Phoenix Park Hotel.

Guests at the Supreme Court Admissions Ceremony

It is a rule of the United States Supreme Court that **only one guest per admittee will be allowed into the courtroom** to observe the ceremony. This policy is strictly enforced. Electronic devices, purses, bags or backpacks are absolutely **not** allowed. Should you bring a camera, you will be required to leave it in the holding room during the ceremony. Children under six years of age will not be admitted in the courtroom.

Those who are not staying at The Phoenix Park Hotel must plan to arrive at the United States Supreme Court no later than 7:55 am on Monday morning.

Final Deadline Date

After you receive the application packet in January, your application for admission must reach the Bar Center in Albany by March 18, 2016. This is a firm date due to the strict requirements of the United States Supreme Court.

Cancellations and Refunds

Refund of registration fee(s) will not be honored after May 6, 2016.

Questions

For questions regarding this program, please contact Megan O'Toole, Manager, Membership Services/Young Lawyers Section Staff Liaison at motoole@nysba.org.

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Pre-Registration Form

Member Attorney registration fee: \$185 | Non-Member Attorney registration fee: \$250 | Spouse/Guest fee: \$185

Name _____ Name of Guest (s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ Email _____

Payment Information

Check or money order enclosed in the amount of \$ _____ **(Make checks payable to New York State Bar Association.)**

Charge \$ _____ to American Express Discover MasterCard Visa Expiration Date _____

Card number _____ Expiration Date _____

Authorized Signature _____

Please mail or email this form, no later than December 21, 2015, with your payment to:

Megan O'Toole, Young Lawyers Section Staff Liaison
New York State Bar Association, One Elk Street, Albany, NY 12207

If you have any questions, please call Megan at 518.487.5743, or via email at motoole@nysba.org.

If you need to cancel, refunds **will NOT** be issued after May 6, 2016

**Save
the Date**

7th Annual Trial Academy

Wednesday, March 30 – Sunday, April 3, 2016



The Trial Academy had a profound impact on me as a person and as a practitioner. I grew more in one week than I have in the few years I have been practicing.

The evaluators' honesty and ability to give constructive feedback is unmatched. I enjoyed the fact that the gloves were off. They were not there to make us feel good; they were there to make us better lawyers.

The Trial Academy was an amazing experience. I learned so much and made great connections.

The Young Lawyers Section (YLS) is sponsoring the Trial Academy, the New York State Bar Association's only comprehensive trial training program. This intensive 5-day trial techniques and advocacy program is geared toward young and new lawyers – teaching, advancing, and improving the quality of their experience in the courtroom to benefit their careers and their client's interests.

Participating in the Trial Academy is the perfect opportunity to gain critically important trial experience outside of the courtroom. Participants will attend morning lectures on an aspect of a trial and spend the afternoons in small groups with their designated team leader demonstrating the day's trial skill from a previously provided fact pattern. One-on-one critiques will be provided by a rotating faculty made up of NYSBA leadership and leading litigators, advocates and judges from every region of New York.

The Trial Academy is open to any attorney wishing to learn or improve their trial skills and provides a unique opportunity for participants to have a meaningful experience which extends beyond a typical classroom setting.

My experience learning from my Team Leader and the rest of the faculty was invaluable. It is hard to describe.

This program is excellent; it's the premier program of the entire bar association.

www.nysba.org/YLSTrialAcademy

Save the date and look for early bird registration materials in the coming months.



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