



## **2022 Application Form Supreme Court of California Appointment to the State Bar of California Board of Trustees**

The State Bar of California is established for governmental purposes under the authority of the Constitution of the State of California at article VI, section 9. The State Bar acts as the administrative arm of the Supreme Court of California in all matters related to attorney admission and discipline in California.

The California Supreme Court is charged with appointing five members of the State Bar of California Board of Trustees. Pursuant to Rule 9.90 of the California Rules of Court, the Supreme Court has created the State Bar Trustees Nominating Committee to solicit, receive, screen, and evaluate all applications for appointment or reappointment to the State Bar Board of Trustees and to make recommendations to the Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court of California's State Bar Trustees Nominating Committee is seeking qualified candidates to serve on the State Bar Board of Trustees. For terms beginning in early 2023, two Trustee positions will be appointed.

Business and Professions Code § 6013.1(a), provides for appointments to the State Bar Board of Trustees by the Supreme Court of California and states that:

The Supreme Court shall appoint five attorney members of the board pursuant to a process that the Supreme Court may prescribe. These attorney members shall serve for a term of four years and may be reappointed by the Supreme Court for one additional term only.

Business and Professions Code § 6013.1(d) also states that:

When making appointments to the board, the Supreme Court should consider appointing attorneys that represent the following categories: legal services; small firm or solo practitioners; historically underrepresented groups, including consideration of race, ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation; and legal academics. In making appointments to the board, the Supreme Court should also consider geographic distribution, years of practice, particularly attorneys who are within the first five years of practice or 36 years of age and under, and participation in voluntary local or state bar activities.

### **Application Checklist**

Application form with all questions completed.

Executive resume or biography (five pages maximum). If a resume or biography exceeds five pages, only the first five pages will be considered during the appointment process.

Letters of recommendation (maximum two). A letter of recommendation is helpful but not required. If letters are being submitted, they must be submitted with the application. If more than two letters are received, only the first two will be considered with the application.

References. Please list a maximum of five references that the Committee may contact if necessary.

Please provide full contact information (name, address, phone, fax, and email) for each reference.

Sign and date application, and follow the application filing instructions. Your application is confidential. If you submit an application by email, please do not mail a hard copy.

## Overview of the Board of Trustees of the State Bar of California

The State Bar Board of Trustees is charged with the executive functions of the State Bar. Public protection is the highest priority for the Board in exercising its licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions. The Board meets approximately six times a year, in addition to committee meetings, to consider organizational, policy, and professional issues. The Supreme Court is charged with the selecting a Board of Trustees Chair and Vice Chair. The composition of the Board of Trustees is as follows:

- Five attorney members appointed by the Supreme Court of California (who shall serve for a term of four years and may be reappointed by the Supreme Court for one additional term only);
- Two lawyer members appointed by the Legislature: one by the Senate Committee on Rules and one by the Speaker of the Assembly; and
- Six “public” (nonattorney) members; four appointed by the Governor, one by the Senate Committee on Rules, and one by the Speaker of Assembly.

### Application Filing Instructions

- **Attach your application, resume, and letter(s) of recommendation in the following order:**
  - 1) Application form, signed and dated.
  - 2) Resume or biography (five pages maximum).
  - 3) Letter(s) of recommendation (maximum two).
- **Resume/Biography:** Your resume or biography may include any of the following: business, occupational, or professional licenses; legal and general educational background; academic, professional, or civic honors; articles or publications authored (do not attach copies); accomplishments of note; proven commitment to volunteer work/capacity to make expected time commitment; national, state, and/or local bar committee service, professional and/or community association memberships, personal and/or organizational references.
- **Letters of Recommendations (maximum two):** A letter of recommendation is helpful but not required. If letters are being submitted, they **must** be submitted with the application.

**Application Deadline: Friday, June 24, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.**

Email, mail, or deliver application to (if emailed, please do not mail hard copy):

Supreme Court Trustees Nominating Committee  
c/o Office of the Executive Director  
The State Bar of California  
845 South Figueroa Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90017  
Email: [tnccae@calbar.ca.gov](mailto:tnccae@calbar.ca.gov)

Applications must be received by the deadline and must be signed and dated. If emailing your application, you may type your name and “/s/” on the signature line to confirm your signature. If emailing your application package, please do not also mail hard copy.



**Supreme Court Of California**

**2022 Application for Appointment to State Bar Board of Trustees**

**Instructions.** Fill in on your computer using the fillable text boxes, or complete by hand using a pen with dark ink or by typewriter. Print a copy of the completed application. Date and sign the application. Attach: (1) resume or biography (five page maximum), and (2) any letters of recommendation (maximum two). Do not submit copies of books, articles, or certificates with your application. Follow filing instructions at the beginning of this form. If the space provided is not sufficient for your response, please type "See Attached," and attach a separate page.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State Bar Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**An applicant must be an active licensee of the State Bar and maintain their principal office for the practice of law within the State of California.**

**Date admitted to State Bar** \_\_\_\_\_

**Employer / Firm / Agency** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City / State / Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Daytime Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

My email is public

My email is private

**Which one of the following best describes your occupation? (check one; specify if requested)**

- Private practice
- Publicly employed lawyer
- Corporate law department
- Law faculty
- Quasi-judicial officer

- Nongovernmental legal services organization
- Nonprofit organization
- Retired lawyer
- Retired judge or justice
- Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**What is the size of your office? (check one)**

- Sole practitioner
- 2-5 attorney firm
- 6-10 attorney firm
- 11-25 attorney firm

- 26-50 attorney firm
- 51-100 attorney firm
- 101-200 attorney firm
- 200+ attorney firm

**Other Jurisdictions.** List other jurisdictions to which you have been admitted to practice (if any):

**Time in practice.** State the length of time you have been engaged in active practice:

**Fields of Law.** List the fields in which you practice or the areas in which you teach:

**Certified Specialties.** List the fields in which you are a certified specialist:

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**Volunteer service.** List and describe prior volunteer/public service with the State Bar, local or specialty bar associations, community or other organizations. Please focus on those activities that provide experience that helped to prepare you for a position on the Board of Trustees, including service on any committees or any offices held:

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**Statement of interest.** Please state why you are applying for appointment to the Board of Trustees and what it is about your background that makes you a good candidate for the position. Include in your response the strengths you will bring to the Board in its role in overseeing the State Bar and in protecting the public.

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**Role of the State Bar.** What do you see as the mission of the State Bar and the Board of Trustees?

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**Role of the Trustee.** As a State Bar Trustee, you are a public official under the law. As a public official, you have a fiduciary responsibility. If appointed as a Trustee, what constituencies do you believe the State Bar must serve and what are its obligations?

**Present/Future challenges.** What significant present or future challenges do you believe are facing the State Bar, and what, if anything, should the Board do to address them?

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**Communication/Leadership skills.** Please describe the communication skills and leadership abilities that you possess that will lend to the activities of the Board.

**Additional information.** Is there any additional information about yourself that you would like to share with us?

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**Diversity**

All applicants are encouraged to provide the following information to help the State Bar meet its diversity goals.

**Gender Identity**

Select an answer

If you selected “Other”, please specify:

**Which of the following best applies you? (Choose all that apply):**

- Cisgender
- Transgender
- Intersex
- Not listed (please specify):

**How do you describe your sexual orientation or sexual identity (Choose all that apply):**

- Lesbian
- Gay
- Bisexual
- Heterosexual
- Pansexual
- Asexual
- Not listed (please specify):

**Race/Ethnic Group (choose all that apply)**

- Hispanic/Latino
  - Mexican
  - Puerto Rican
  - Cuban
  - Central American
  - South American
  - Other Hispanic (please specify):
- White
- Black or African American
- Asian
  - Chinese
  - Korean
  - Japanese
  - Southeast Asian
  - Filipino
  - South Asian
  - Other Asian (please specify):
- Middle Eastern or North African
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Other race, ethnicity, origin (please specify):

**Do you identify as a person with a disability?**

Select an answer

**If yes, select all that apply**

- A vision impairment
- A hearing impairment
- A mobility impairment
- A learning disability
- A disability or impairment not listed above (please specify):

**Have you ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or National Guard?**

Select an answer

**What age group describes you?**

Select an answer

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**SIGNATURE.** Sign and date your application.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(If you type your name on the signature line, please include the symbol "/s/" to show this is your signature.)*