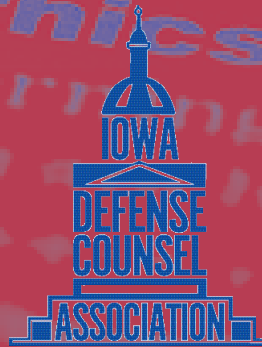


DEDICATED TO IMPROVING OUR CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM



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IOWA DEFENSE COUNSEL ASSOCIATION

FOUNDED 1964

HISTORY & PURPOSE

The Iowa Defense Counsel was founded in 1964 with the express purpose of improving our civil justice system. This encompasses efforts to support proposals within the legislature and the court system which are designed to maintain a fair balance between plaintiffs and defendants, and at the same time avoid excessive, unreasonable, and emotional verdicts that are so costly to the public at large.

IDCA TODAY

Since 1964, membership has grown to over 400 active members. The IDCA has carefully selected persons for membership who have demonstrated a genuine concern for the Defense Bar in general, recognizing outstanding legal talent, high moral and professional standards.

COMMITTEES

The IDCA has several active, influential, and productive committees whose task is to carry out the objectives of the organization:

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| ■ Amicus Curiae | ■ Legislative |
| ■ CLE Committee | ■ Membership |
| ■ Commercial Litigation | ■ Product Liability |
| ■ E-Discovery | ■ Professional Liability |
| ■ Editorial/ <i>Defense Update</i> | ■ Public Relations/Website |
| ■ Employment Law | ■ Rules |
| ■ Fair and Impartial Courts | ■ Tort and Insurance Law |
| ■ Jury Instructions | ■ Workers' Compensation |
| ■ Law School Programs/
Trial Academy | ■ Young Lawyers
<i>(10 years or less in practice)</i> |

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The IDCA has, through its committees and paid lobbyists, established and maintained an effective and beneficial dialogue with legislators.

The IDCA maintains educational programs for the membership in an attempt to satisfy all state, federal and ethical continuing legal education requirements.

The IDCA has facilitated goodwill and understanding between insureds, insurers and counsel.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

LAWYERS

Any person who is a member of the bar who is actively engaged in the practice of law, who is of high professional standing and:

- Who devotes a substantial portion of his/her professional time to the representation of persons or entities on assignment by insurance companies, associations, corporations, professional or governmental entities or like clients in advice concerning, or defense of claims shall be eligible for membership;
- Who devotes a substantial portion of his/her professional time to the representation of an insurance company, corporation or governmental entity in the office of such organization shall be eligible for membership.

CLAIMS PROFESSIONALS

Any person who is actively engaged in work relating to the handling of claims or defense of legal actions for an insurance company as an employee shall be eligible for membership.

STUDENT MEMBERS

Law students in good standing working toward being admitted to the bar.

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER

Persons desiring to become a member may complete a membership application either on-line or by completing the application in this brochure. All applications shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors at the next scheduled Board of Directors meeting.

Applicants will become members by the affirmative vote of the Board of Directors.

Each member will receive a membership certificate and shall thereafter be a member in good standing of the Association so long as his/her membership is current and in good standing or unless sooner terminated.

To apply for membership, please visit our website:
www.iowadefensecounsel.org

If you have any questions, please contact the IDCA office at
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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The undersigned hereby makes application for membership in the Iowa Defense Counsel Association and submits the following information in connection therewith (membership restricted to an individual):

1. Date: _____
2. Full Name: _____
3. Company/Firm: _____
4. Company/Firm Address: _____
5. City, State, Zip: _____
6. Telephone: _____ Fax: _____
7. E-mail: _____
8. Residence Address: _____
9. City, State, Zip: _____
12. College: _____
13. Degree: _____
14. Law School: _____
15. Degree: _____
16. Honorary Society Memberships in College/Law School: _____

17. Admitted to the Bar in the State of: _____
18. Year Admitted to the Bar: _____
19. List names of and year of admission of all courts of last resort, including United States Court of Appeals, in which you are admitted to practice.
If none, so state. _____

20. List all bar associations and all other professional organizations to which you belong: _____

21. Proposers: (Note: The proposer and seconder shall serve as references for defense activity and must be members of IDCA)
Name of 1st Proposer: _____
Address of 1st Proposer: _____
Name of 2nd Proposer: _____
Address of 2nd Proposer: _____

22. Are you in private practice? Yes No If yes, state number of years _____
23. If at locations other than above, please state addresses: _____

24. If member or associate of a law firm, so state. Give name of firm and number of years you have been associated with said firm. _____

25. Number of lawyers in your company/firm: _____
26. Number of lawyers in your company/form belonging to IDCA: _____
27. List names of your firm members who are IDCA members: _____

28. If you have been associated with other firms, give their names, address, and dates of your association: _____

29. Are you devoting a substantial portion of your professional time to the defense of insurance companies, associations, corporations, businesses, governmental entities or individuals? If so, state percentage of your time devoted: _____
30. State number of years preceding this application that you have continuously devoted a substantial portion of your professional time to the defense of insurance companies, associations, corporations, businesses, governmental entities or individuals: _____

31. Describe your practice in the five years preceding this application: _____

32. If you are a full-time employee of an insurance company, association, corporation, governmental entity or professional organization, give name and address of company, your title or position, and the number of years employed: _____

33. If you have been employed less than five years, state the name and addresses of employment preceding this application: _____

34. Have you ever been a member of this Association? Yes No
35. Have you ever applied for membership in this Association? Yes No
36. If elected to membership, I agree to be bound by the Articles and By-laws of this Association: I Agree I Disagree
37. Would you like to receive e-mails from other members of IDCA (List Serve)? Yes No

“Contributions to the Iowa Defense Counsel Association are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes; however, membership dues may be deductible as an ordinary business expense.”

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES – January 1 through December 31

ANNUAL DUES ARE ASSESSED AS FOLLOWS: \$250

Please do not send dues payment with this application. All membership applications must be presented to the Board of Directors and approved. You will be notified via mail of your membership status.