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▶ **How did you learn of this vacancy?** (Check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Trustees member (name): _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Local bar association            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Committee chair                        | <input type="checkbox"/> State Bar publication or website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colleague                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____           |

▶ **Which one of the following best describes your occupation?** (Check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Private practice         | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-governmental legal services organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicly employed lawyer | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit organization                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate law department | <input type="checkbox"/> Retired justice or judge                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law teaching             | <input type="checkbox"/> Retired lawyer                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quasi-judicial officer   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____                       |

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sole practitioner   | <input type="checkbox"/> 36-100 lawyer office |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2-10 lawyer office  | <input type="checkbox"/> 101+ lawyer office   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11-35 lawyer office | <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable       |

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▶ **DATE ADMITTED TO THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA** (month and year):

I am currently (check one):     Active     Inactive

List other jurisdictions to which you have been admitted to practice (if any):

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▶ **LENGTH OF TIME IN PRACTICE:**

If not a lawyer, list length of time in profession:

▶ **FIELDS IN WHICH YOU PRACTICE:**

▶ **FIELDS IN WHICH YOU ARE CERTIFIED AS A SPECIALIST** (*Except as noted in the legal specialization requirements at the State Bar's website, lawyer applicants to the legal specialization entities must be certified specialists*):

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▶ **VOLUNTEER SERVICE.** List, or attach as a separate page, prior volunteer service with the State Bar, local or specialty bar associations, community or other organizations. Please focus on those activities that prepare you for a position on the committees to which you are applying.

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▶ **STATE BAR SECTIONS.** List the State Bar sections of which you are a member (*All applicants to a section's executive committee must be members of that section*).

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▶ **DISCIPLINE RECORD.** List any formal disciplinary charges filed against you, including disposition of such charges and any public record of discipline. You may attach a separate sheet if needed.

## PART TWO

The State Bar of California values diversity and broad-based representation in its appointments. The legal community is diverse and it serves an even more heterogeneous population. The recruitment and selection of applicants with diverse backgrounds, experiences, outlooks, and ideas will bring qualities essential to the governance of the legal profession and to the services the State Bar provides to its diverse members and to the public. It is therefore the policy of the State Bar to encourage the participation of all State Bar members in order to obtain broad representation on each entity. To the extent available, the State Bar will consider factors which encourage breadth and depth of perspective including, but not limited to, the following: geographic location of residence and work, practice area, size of law practice, length of time practicing, volunteer work, specific accomplishments, educational background, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, and disability. The State Bar provides equal access to all applicants and complies with all applicable anti-discrimination laws in its appointment process.

**Please complete the following portion of the Appointment Application** to let us know how you can contribute to the diversity and broad composition of the State Bar's committees and commissions. You may attach a separate sheet if needed.

▶ What unique characteristics, perceptions, experiences, personal talents, or qualifications would you bring to the committee?

▶ Please describe the communication skills and leadership abilities that you possess that will lend to the activities of the committee:

▶ Please describe any hardship or disadvantage you have had to overcome and how this experience will contribute to your service with the State Bar:

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

▶ **Applicants are requested, but not required,** to provide the following information. If you wish to self-identify as a member of a community or to describe your background, please complete the following:

**Gender:**

**Sexual Orientation** (e.g., do you self-identify as a member of the gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender community):

**Ethnicity:**

**Age:**

**Other Diversity Factor(s):**

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

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

Application for 2013-2014 Appointments

**APPLICATION FILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- You may apply to a maximum of three committees. If you are applying to two or three committees, you must submit a **separate application** for each committee. For **each** committee application, print an original copy. Sign and date the original. Attach your statement, resume, and letters of recommendation in the order below:
- 1) Committee application form
  - 2) Statement of interest (e.g., why you want to serve on the committee)
  - 3) Resume or biography
  - 4) Letters of recommendation (no more than three)
- 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 Recommendation:** Letters are helpful but not required. You may submit a maximum of three (3) letters of recommendation. It is preferred that letters of recommendation be attached to the application, but they may be submitted separately. All letters of recommendation must be submitted to the Appointments Office in the State Bar's San Francisco office. If more than three letters of recommendation are submitted, only the first three will be included in the application.
- ABA House of Delegates:** In your statement of interest for the ABA House of Delegates, please describe your ABA activities and the contributions you have made to the organization in the past two years.
- 2014 Commission on Judicial Nominees Evaluation (JNE Commission):** Lawyer applicants must be State Bar members in good standing and in active practice. In your statement of interest for the JNE Commission, please describe why you are interested in the commission, any experience you have with interviewing professional applicants, and your ability to make the time commitment and **to attend a mandatory Orientation meeting scheduled Jan. 31-Feb. 1, 2014**. A letter of recommendation, especially from an employer, is helpful.
- **Copies:** For **each** committee's application, make **one** (1) single-sided copy of the form and attachments. Submit the two **(2) sets (original + 1 copy)** of each application by the deadline.
- **Deadlines:** Unless otherwise published at the State Bar's website, the 2013 application deadlines for the following entities are:
- Feb. 1, 2013: ABA House of Delegates, Judicial Council, and the State Bar Standing, Section Executive and Special Committees
- May 1, 2013: Committee on Group Insurance Programs, Committee on Professional Liability Insurance
- June 3, 2013: 2014 JNE Commission, Review Committee of the JNE Commission, LAP Oversight Committee, Client Security Fund Commission, Legal Services Trust Fund Commission
- On occasion, the application deadline may be extended for certain entities. Applicants may contact the Appointment Office (415) 538-2370) for information on entities that have extended their deadlines.
- **Mail or deliver each committee application (original and copy) to:** Appointments Office, The State Bar of California, 180 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-1639
- **Applications must be received by the deadline noted above.** We will accept your application by fax on the day of the deadline **if** the original and copy are mailed and postmarked by the deadline. The Appointments Office fax number is (415) 538-2305.