



# Application for Appointment To the Fee Arbitration Department

The State Bar of California  
Mandatory Fee Arbitration  
180 Howard Street  
San Francisco, CA 94105

Arbitrator appointments are volunteer appointments. Although an appointment is customarily for a one-year term, volunteers serve at the pleasure of the Board of Governors and may serve more than one term.

I am volunteering to be a:  Lawyer Arbitrator  Non-Lawyer Arbitrator [See definition below]

### 1. Personal Information

Name (please type or print) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Office Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please check any of the applicable boxes below:

- I have been a party in civil litigation.
- I have had judgments entered against me.
- I have been subject to professional discipline.
- I have been a party in a criminal action
- I have child support debts that are past due.
- I have participated in mandatory fee arbitration as a party.

If you've checked any of the boxes above, please provide details and the result of the event in question. Attach additional sheets if necessary. \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Employment/Professional Experience

List law practice or employment experience for the last five years. Include current or prior employers, dates of service, and types of experience.

Employer Name and Address	Dates Employed	Nature of Practice/Experience
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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### 3. For Attorneys Only

Date Admitted \_\_\_\_\_ Size of firm \_\_\_\_\_ State Bar Number \_\_\_\_\_

Type of law practiced  civil  criminal  \_\_\_\_\_

To be qualified for appointment as a non-lawyer arbitrator with the State Bar of California's Mandatory Fee Arbitration Program, an applicant must never have been an active or inactive member of the bar of any state or the District of Columbia or worked regularly for a public or private law office or practice, court of law or attended law school for any period of time. Paralegal assistants, law firm staff, and law clerks shall not serve as lay arbitrators.

**4. Volunteer Work**

List present and prior membership or experience in professional organizations or associations, honors, licenses, publications or specific accomplishments which you consider significant and which may be important in considering your qualifications. Membership on State Bar committees, sections, etc. should also be included. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

Entity	Dates Served	Nature of Service
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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**5. Educational Background**

College, University or Law School	Address	Major Studies	Degree, Diploma, License or Certificate	Dates Attended
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

**6. Appointment Related Information**

To what extent (how far and how often) are you willing to travel? \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in becoming an arbitrator? (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

Fee Arbitration Training:  I attended a State Bar or Local Bar Association sponsored fee arbitration training on \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

I have not attended a State Bar or Local Bar Association sponsored fee arbitration training.

**7. Reference Information**

How or from whom did you hear about this appointment? \_\_\_\_\_

Please furnish the names, addresses and telephone numbers of four references who are familiar with your professional or service work. If you are an attorney, three of the references should be judges or lawyers.

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City, State, Zip; Phone

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City, State, Zip; Phone

Unless otherwise noted, I authorize the investigation of all statements made in this application, including contacting employers and references. I state under penalty of perjury that all my statements on this application and any attachments are true, complete and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please attach a separate resume or statement to this application listing any additional qualifications for appointment which you did not enter on this application. The statement should include present and prior service on non-State Bar boards, committees, bodies, associations or organizations; paralegal, legal, trial, or adjudicative experience; community involvement; honors and awards; and your reasons for applying.