

VIBA Committee Preference Form

BE A PART OF THE ACTION!

Access to Justice Committee This committee shall propose and implement improvements to provide better access to the justice system. This committee will address issues affecting legal services programs and domestic violence prevention programs and suggest improvement for the courts, such as appointment of counsel.

Awards and Memorials Committee This committee shall, with the consent of a majority of the Board of Governors, confer appropriate recognition and honors upon persons who have rendered outstanding service to the legal profession and the Virgin Islands Community.

Bar Journal Committee This committee shall be responsible for producing, editing, and publishing our publications, including The Virgin Islands Bar Journal, the Virgin Islands Law Letter, and the Virgin Islands Law Review.

Judiciary Committee This committee shall conduct an intensive investigation of all judicial candidates and submit such report to the appointive power and Board of Governors with its recommendations. It shall also accept and investigate complaints about judges.

Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar Committee This committee shall oversee the development and execution of the Virgin Islands Bar CLE program to ensure the availability of a wide variety of on-island educational programs for members of the Bar.

Legislation and Law Reform Committee This committee shall advocate, by proper and ethical means, the adoption or repeal of such legislation as may be recommended by the Board of Governors and the Bar.

Meetings & Entertainment Committee This committee shall coordinate the programs at the annual, mid-year and quarterly meetings of the Virgin Islands Bar.

Multijurisdictional Practice Committee This committee will address concerns of members of the Virgin Islands Bar that practice outside the Territory.

Public Education and the Law Committee This committee shall promote the public understanding of the law and its role in society. The Committee shall conduct educational programs designed to educate and inform the Virgin Islands community about law and the justice system. Law Week activities shall be one of the responsibilities of this Committee.

Scholarship Committee This committee oversees the provision of financial assistance in the form of scholarship to Virgin Islands law students.

Technology Committee This committee will work with the Bar Journal Committee to improve the Bar's web site (vibar.org); evaluate and comment on technology issues as they relate to the legal profession and the administration of justice; and advise the Bar on the technology needs of its members and ways in which it can meet those needs.

Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee This committee is charged by the Superior Court to investigate all complaints against any person not authorized to practice law in the Virgin Islands, who is alleged to be performing acts or services constituting the practice of law; to take action as necessary against the unauthorized practice of law, and to prevent the unauthorized practice of law within the Territory.

Women in the Profession Committee This committee shall assess the current status of women in the legal profession and identify the career paths of women lawyers and the goals with respect to the practice and the Bar.

Young Lawyers Committee This committee shall further the objectives of the Virgin Islands Bar, stimulate the interest of young lawyers in the activities of the Bar; conduct programs of interest and value to young lawyers and those recently admitted to practice; be of assistance to the Bar and its other committees; assist in the establishment of young lawyer organizations in both judicial districts, and promote the involvement of all lawyers in public service activities.

COUNT ME IN!

Please indicate below the committee(s) you would like to join, in order of preference, one (1) being your first choice. Please number your choices. A brief description of each committee is attached for your convenience. While there is no guarantee that you will be appointed to all of the committees you selected, you will be appointed to at least one committee.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Access to Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Multijurisdictional Practice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Awards and Memorials | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Education and the Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bar Journal | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Judiciary | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar | <input type="checkbox"/> Unauthorized Practice of Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislation and Law Reform | <input type="checkbox"/> Women in the Profession |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meetings & Entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Young Lawyers |

◆ I am willing to lead a Committee.

◆ I am willing to assist in the leadership of a Committee.

◆ Other _____

Name _____

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