

Overview

Established in 2003, KCMBA is very pleased to again provide this opportunity for a select group of relatively new members of the legal community to enhance their skills to become the future leaders in service to the profession and the community. Previous graduates have gone on to hold leadership positions within their firms, KCMBA and other bar-related organizations, and service organizations throughout the metropolitan area.

The Bar Leadership Academy is comprised of six sessions over an eight month period. Each session addresses unique facets of leadership and features prominent leaders, instructors, and discussion facilitators. Small groups are formed to develop and initiate a service project during the academy period. Opportunities are also provided for each year's graduates to serve as an intern on a non-profit board of directors and become involved in planning future Bar Leadership Academy programs.

Goals

- To solicit and select emerging bar leaders who represent a cross section of the greater Kansas City legal community including geographical, racial, gender and private/public law representation.
- To enhance each participant's leadership skills to better excel in service to the profession and the community.
- To develop a small group initiative.
- To plan and coordinate the next Academy
- To nurture and encourage graduates to seek leadership positions in bar organizations, the judiciary, and community organizations.
- To create a critical mass of diverse future leaders within the legal community.
- To foster pride, commitment and participation in professional association activities.
- To provide a leadership opportunity in the community of all graduates.

Application and Selection Process

A maximum of 30 applicants will be selected to represent a demographic cross section of the greater Kansas City legal community including geographic, gender and public/private law representation. Ideal applicants will have a minimum of two years law practice and commit to participate in all six sessions

A signed application form and participation agreement from the applicant and his/her supervising attorney plus a letter of recommendation from an attorney or judge listing why the applicant should be selected are to be submitted by the **July 13, 2009 deadline**.

The Selection Committee consists of the Bar Leadership Academy Steering Committee and the KCMBA Executive Director. Selections for the KCMBA Bar Leadership Academy Class of 2009-2010 will be announced on or before August 17, 2009. Applicants may apply for more than one year if not selected.

The registration fee of \$495 is to be paid after selection and prior to September 14, 2009.

**For an application form or further information,
please visit www.kcmba.org or
contact Sherry King at (816)474-4322 or sking@kcmba.org.**

**2009-2010
KCMBA
Bar Leadership Academy
Schedule**

Session 1
Friday, September 11, 2009
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Session 2
Friday, October 23, 2009
(noon)
to
Saturday, October 24, 2009
(2 p.m.)

Session 3
Friday, January 15, 2010
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Session 4
Friday, February 19, 2010
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Session 5
Friday, April 16, 2010
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Session 6
Friday, May 21, 2010
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Speakers and locations are to be determined. Dates may change due to location availability or inclement weather.

Small groups should also plan to meet outside scheduled sessions to plan and develop their initiative/service project.



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