

CDLA is now taking applications and nominations for the following CDLA Board positions: At-Large; DRI State Rep (3 year term); Legislative; Outreach/Diversity and Secretary (Officer Position) and Southern Chapter. A brief description of each position and time commitment is set forth below. If you are interested in any of these Director or Officer positions, please submit the position(s) you are interested in along with your CV by April 3, 2015 to Bo Donegan at bo@codla.org. Interviews will be scheduled on April 10, 2015. If you have any questions about a position please feel free to contact Bo directly at 303-263-6466.

The Board of Directors supervises the affairs of the Association. The Association transacts all of its activities through the Board and its Officers. The Board meets 10-12 times per year, usually the first Tuesday of every month, and time commitment can range from several of hours a month to many hours per month.

The **At Large** Director position is a two-year term with primary responsibility to organize and promote the Trial Academy the first year then assist the Diversity Committee with fund raising efforts the second year.

The **DRI State Representative** plays a significant leadership role in promoting membership development and retention and by providing a link between the national organization and its members. This position is a three-year term beginning October 2012 coinciding with DRI's Annual Conference. The requirements are as follows:

- A) State Representatives must be Individual Members of the Corporation admitted to practice of law in the state he or she will represent,
- B) The State Representative candidate shall have been a DRI member for a total of at least three (3) years,
- C) The State Representative candidate shall have been a member of at least one (1) DRI substantive law committee for at least three (3) years,
- D) The State Representative candidate must have registered for and attended at least one (1) DRI Annual Meeting within the previous three (3) years,
- E) Prior to serving as a State Representative, the candidate must have registered for and attended at least one (1) DRI seminar or registered for and attended at least one (1) DRI Regional Meeting.

The **Legislative Director** position is a two year term. This Director is responsible for the legislative policy and action of the Association and acts as the Chair for the Legislative Committee.

The **Outreach/Diversity Director** is also a two year term. This Director is responsible for all Association outreach activities. The Outreach Director will act as the chairperson of the Diversity/Outreach Committee and the Colorado Defense Lawyers Association's Foundation (CDLA Foundation). In addition, the Outreach Director will cooperate with other Colorado bar associations, law schools, and non-profit organizations to promote the Association's ideal of inclusiveness in the law.

The **Southern Chapter** position, also a two year commitment, requires a Director who resides in the Southern region of the state (Colorado Springs/Pueblo). The Southern Chapter Director

serves as the Chair for the Southern Chapter of CDLA, and is responsible for organizing and promoting two or more CLE events per year for a total of eight CLE credits and acts as an ambassador in promoting the goals of the CDLA throughout the Southern region, the Western Slope and other areas throughout Colorado.

The "**Officer Track**" Board position is a five-year commitment. The first year you would be the Secretary of the Association, the following year, become the Treasurer where you are assigned the task of Conference Chair for the Annual Conference. The third year you will be Vice President and the fourth year President, followed by a fifth year as Past President.

Again, if you are interested in one of the openings please send your CV and position interest to bo@codla.org no later than April 3, 2015. The positions will be filled through the nomination process. A Nomination Committee has been formed and has scheduled interviews for the interested candidates on April 10, 2015 at Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP, 1700 Lincoln St., Suite 4000 Denver CO 80203. The interviews will last approximately 15 minutes. After we have assembled the list of candidates, Bo will contact you, answer any questions you may have, and schedule a time for the interview that is hopefully convenient for you.

Thank you,

Kristin Caruso, on behalf of The CDLA Board of Directors

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