

Colorado Plaintiff Employment Lawyers Association

2011 COLORADO PELA NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

1. Attorney Information

Attorney Name: _____ Years of Practice: _____

Firm Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email (to receive notices): _____

Percent of practice that is employment law: _____%

I hereby certify that 50% of my employment law practice is plaintiff's or claimant's work. _____
Initial

Areas of practice: please check all that apply

ADA	_____	Appellate	_____
ADEA	_____	Career Service Authority	_____
ERISA	_____	Disability Insurance	_____
FLSA	_____	Employment Contracts	_____
FMLA	_____	Employment Related Torts	_____
TITLE VII	_____	Federal Employees	_____
Section 1981	_____	Labor Law	_____
Section 1983	_____	Non-compete/Trade Secrets	_____
Unemployment Comp.	_____	Social Security	_____
Workers' Compensation	_____	State Personnel System	_____

OTHER:

Criminal _____
Malpractice _____
Personal Injury _____
List Other _____

2. As part of your membership benefits, you will automatically receive all editions of PELA Pointers by email.

3. If you would also like to be included on the PELA listserv¹, which will allow you to immediately communicate with other PELA members via email, check here: _____. If you have any difficulty accessing the PELA listserv, please contact: Rachel Ellis at rachel@ellisemploymentlaw.com or 303-989-4200. Timely payment of membership dues is a requirement to be on the listserv.

4. Choose 1) law firm, 2) individual attorney or 3) first time individual attorney membership.

1) _____ Individual membership annual dues
\$125.00

2) _____ Law firm membership annual dues
Each attorney up to 4 attorneys: \$125 per attorney
For each attorney over 4 attorneys: \$50 per additional attorney
(i.e., a 6 attorney firm would pay \$600 total)

3) _____ First Time Individual membership annual dues
\$ 62.50
To qualify for the one-time half price membership offer, the attorney must be a first time member of PELA²

_____ Additional donation to PELA's lobbying fund in the amount of _____ to help PELA fight for legislation protecting employees in the state of Colorado (donation optional but encouraged).

*If this is a *law firm* membership, make a copy of the first page of this form for EACH attorney in the firm to complete. Please return all forms with your firm payment. This will help us keep the database and listserv current.

PLEASE NOTE: No portion of PELA dues is tax deductible as a charitable contribution. 40% of every attorney's membership dues (\$50 for membership dues of \$125, \$25 for membership dues of \$62.50 and \$20 of member dues of \$50 for firms who have over 4 dues paying attorneys) will directly fund PELA's lobbying efforts so that PELA remains an active participant in legislative activities that affect employees; that portion of your dues is therefore NOT tax deductible. The remainder of members' dues may be tax deductible as an ordinary and necessary business expense. Please consult your tax advisor for further guidance as deductibility may depend on individual circumstances.

¹ If a PELA member represents a Defendant employer in a case in which the Plaintiff is represented by another PELA member, the PELA member who represents the Defendant employer or assists in the representation of the Defendant employer must discontinue their use of the listserv during the pendency of the litigation. This policy allows the plaintiff's lawyer to maintain the benefit of other member's knowledge and assistance while preventing the defense attorney from gaining insight into the plaintiff's litigation strategy.

² PELA is also offering a half price discount for any 2011 first time members for the annual PELA retreat during the attorney's first year of PELA membership.

5. Send completed application and check payable to PELA to:

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