



The Supreme Court of South Carolina
Chief Justice's Commission on the Profession

LAWYER MENTORING PROGRAM
MENTOR CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

1. MENTOR INFORMATION

Name _____ SC Bar Number _____

Firm Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Date of Admission to the SC Bar _____

Date(s) of Admission to Other Jurisdiction(s) (if applicable) _____

Status: _____ Active _____ Retired* _____ Inactive*

*If retired or inactive, date you retired or transferred to inactive status _____

NOTE: Mentors must be active members of the SC Bar who have retired or transferred to inactive status within the preceding two (2) years.

2. MENTOR TYPE (Please check all that apply)

I agree to be appointed to serve as a mentor to:

_____ A new lawyer who will join me or my office upon their admission to the SC Bar

_____ A new lawyer who is not employed by me or my office

_____ A group of new lawyers who do not have individual mentors (up to three (3) new lawyers)

3. DESIGNATION OF NEW LAWYER(S) TO BE MENTORED

_____ I agree to mentor the following new lawyer(s):

Name: _____ SC Bar Number: _____

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4. PRACTICE AREAS

_____ I would prefer to mentor a new lawyer in the following practice area(s) (please list all area(s)):

_____ I am willing to mentor a new lawyer regardless of practice area.

5. CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, volunteer for appointment as a Mentor in the Lawyer Mentoring Program. I understand the purpose of the program and the responsibilities associated with being a mentor. I hereby certify that I meet all of the minimum qualifications for appointment as set out in the Order of the Supreme Court of South Carolina, December 2, 2008 (see Page 3) which established the Lawyer Mentoring Second Pilot Program.

DATE

SIGNATURE

**Order of the Supreme Court of South Carolina, December 2, 2008
RE: Lawyer Mentoring Second Pilot Program**

Section 7. General Qualifications of Mentors

Mentors must be active members of the South Carolina Bar or persons who have taken retired or inactive status within the preceding two years. Mentors must have at least five (5) years experience in the active practice of law. It is preferable that mentors have experience with the court system, although it is understood that not all members will have litigation experience. A lawyer without such litigation experience may nevertheless be an appropriate mentor if that lawyer has otherwise developed an understanding of appropriate behavior in a lawyer's relationship with the court. Mentors should display, through their own conduct, an understanding of and commitment to ethical responsibilities and the prevailing expectations with regard to a lawyer's appropriate professional behavior. A mentor must have a good reputation for professional behavior and must not have been publically reprimanded **in any jurisdiction** within the past 10 years or suspended or disbarred from the practice of law at any time.

Please return the completed Mentor Certification Application to:

Lawyer Mentoring Program
L. Donette Welch, Mentoring Coordinator
PO Box 2138
Columbia, SC 29202

Telephone: (803) 799-5578
E-Mail: commcle@bellsouth.net

Your participation in the program is greatly appreciated.