

The background is a classical painting of a building facade. It features several tall, fluted columns with Corinthian capitals. The building's entablature is highly detailed with decorative moldings. The sky is a mix of deep teal and light, airy clouds, suggesting a dramatic or historical setting. The overall style is reminiscent of 19th-century academic painting.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION *for* JUSTICE
LEADERSFORUM

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An Exclusive Invitation

You are invited to join the premier network of plaintiff firms in the country—AAJ's Leaders Forum.

- Experience unmatched networking opportunities
- Gain access to exclusive events
- Take advantage of products and services that will enhance your practice
- Receive valuable tax benefits

Enjoy the Benefits of Leaders Forum

The benefits of Leaders Forum extend beyond the amenities. Being a part of the premier network of plaintiff firms in the country gives you a unique opportunity to extend your visibility, grow your practice through referrals, and groom your firm's staff through their AAJ memberships.

Exclusive Events and Networking Opportunities

The Annual Leaders Forum Retreat, Legislative Day, exclusive phone calls with major political figures, and other special events held during AAJ conventions and throughout the year give you ample opportunity to network with leaders in the plaintiff's bar, develop relationships that will lead to referrals to build your practice, and be engaged in the political arena at a level not accessible to many others.

Full-Service Hospitality Suite

Skip the lines and check-in for AAJ conventions in the Leaders Forum suite. Enjoy daily breakfast and lunch, use the full-service business center, and engage with other Leaders Forum members in a relaxing atmosphere during the convention.

Tax Benefit

You may be eligible to deduct 80% of your Leaders Forum dues as ordinary and necessary business expenses. Consult your tax advisor to confirm.

Be the First to Know

Leaders Forum members are always the first to know of late-breaking pro-civil justice news. You'll always see the results of your investment in Leaders Forum.

Additional AAJ Regular Memberships

Through your Leaders Forum membership, you will have additional AAJ Regular memberships to provide to other attorneys in your firm. Deepen your staff's expertise through their participation in AAJ list servers, Sections, and top-notch CLE programs.

Defend the Civil Justice System

As a Leaders Forum member you will receive unmatched networking opportunities and outstanding products and services tailored to enhance your practice.

You will also join a network of nationally recognized firms whose support for AAJ provides the resources to maintain and strengthen our fight to preserve access to the civil justice system and the right to trial by jury.

Civil justice opponents—the insurance industry, drug and oil companies, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce—have spent billions of dollars lobbying for legislation to strip consumers of their rights and discredit trial lawyers. Through the support of Leaders Forum members, AAJ stands strong and is able to fight back with targeted public education and media programs to win the public debate, preserve the civil justice system, and protect your practice.

No other national organization like AAJ is dedicated to the protection of 7th Amendment rights, and no other level of membership like Leaders Forum combines the power of networking with an unwavering defense of the civil justice system.

Membership Levels & Benefits

All Leaders Forum members enjoy the following benefits:

- Deluxe leather-bound Leaders Forum only Membership Directory containing your firm's full-color listing with photograph
- Enhanced listing in the online Membership Directory, with biographical information furnished by your firm. The listing will include links to your firm's homepage and e-mail
- A semi-annual listing of Leaders Forum members in *Trial Magazine*
- Recognition of your firm via a special convention display and convention badge designation for each firm member
- Access to a private hospitality suite during conventions
- Access to the Leaders Forum List Server
- Exclusive AAJ conference calls with special guests
- Exclusive e-mails with political updates
- Free Gold Plan membership to the AAJ Exchange for up to two firm members
- Handsome matted and framed certificate

New Lawyers Division*

Dues \$500/month

- One AAJ Regular membership
- Invitation for one member of your firm to attend the Leaders Forum Membership Retreat, Leadership Breakfast during conventions, and the Leaders Forum Legislative Day in Washington, DC

**All of the firm's partners and/or shareholders must be members of the New Lawyers Division (less than 10 years practicing law). The firm cannot already be a member of Leaders Forum.*

Patron

Dues \$1,000/month

- Two AAJ Regular memberships
- Car service to/from the airport at each convention
- Invitation for one member of your firm to attend the Leaders Forum Membership Retreat
- Invitation for two members of your firm to attend the Leadership Breakfast during conventions and the Leaders Forum Legislative Day in Washington, DC

Benefactor

Dues \$2,500/month

- Three AAJ Regular memberships
- Car service to/from the airport at each convention
- Invitation for two members of your firm to attend the Leaders Forum Membership Retreat
- Invitation for three members of your firm to attend the Leadership Breakfast during conventions and the Leaders Forum Legislative Day in Washington, DC

Platinum Club

Dues \$5,000/month

- Four AAJ Regular memberships
- Car service to/from the airport at each convention
- Invitation for three members of your firm to attend the Leaders Forum Membership Retreat
- Invitation for four members of your firm to attend the Leadership Breakfast during conventions and the Leaders Forum Legislative Day in Washington, DC

Founder's Circle

Dues \$7,500/month

- Five AAJ Regular memberships
- Car service to/from the airport at each convention
- Invitation for four members of your firm to attend the Leaders Forum Membership Retreat
- Invitation for five members of your firm to attend the Leadership Breakfast during conventions and the Leaders Forum Legislative Day in Washington, DC
- Special recognition during the Membership Luncheon and Leadership Breakfast

You Are Invited to Join Leaders Forum

AAJ Leaders Forum Application Form

Leaders Forum Membership Options

YES, please enroll my firm in AAJ's Leaders Forum today at the level indicated below:

Founder's Circle

\$7,500/month
or \$90,000/year

Platinum Club

\$5,000/month
or \$60,000/year

Benefactor

\$2,500/month
or \$30,000/year

Patron

\$1,000/month
or \$12,000/year

New Lawyers Division

\$500/month
or \$6,000/year

▲ Firm Name

▲ Firm Address

▲ City/State/ZIP

▲ Office Phone

▲ Office Fax

▲ URL

▲ Contact Name

▲ E-mail Address

Payment Method

Please bill me annual payment first monthly payment Check # _____ is enclosed (payable to AAJ)

Charge \$ _____ to my   **VISA** (fill in credit card details below)

▲ Card number

▲ Exp. date

▲ Name on card

▲ Signature

Leaders Forum Membership contributions to the American Association for Justice (AAJ) are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for income tax purposes. However, your contributions may be tax deductible as ordinary and necessary business dues and expenses subject to restrictions imposed as a result of AAJ's lobbying activity. AAJ estimates that the portion of dues and other similar amounts that it expects to receive that are allocable to AAJ's current lobbying expenditures is 20 percent. Accordingly, currently 80 percent of your dues and contributions to AAJ may be deducted as ordinary and necessary business expenses. Please consult your tax advisor to confirm.

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Three Easy Ways to Join

FAX

Fax completed
form to 202-965-4689

OR

MAIL

AAJ Leaders Forum
777 6th Street, NW, Suite 200
Washington, DC 20001

OR

PHONE

800-424-2725 or
202-965-3500, ext. 8382