



## **MABA Law Student Mentorship Program: Judicial Officer & Attorney Mentor Form**

Prospective Mentor:

Thank you for your interest in MABA's Law Student Mentorship Program. MABA is grateful for your continued support of increasing diversity in our profession and providing meaningful mentorship to the next generation of Latina/o law students.

To participate as a mentor, please fill out the form below. Your responses will be used to match you with a law student whose professional interests and/or educational background are similar to yours. Please do not hesitate to include additional information that you believe would be helpful in pairing you with your mentee. The form must be returned to [admin@mabaattorneys.com](mailto:admin@mabaattorneys.com).

Please note that participation in this program is subject to the availability of interested law students, judicial officers, and attorney mentors. By participating in the program, individuals agree to uphold the integrity and mission of the program, maintain a professional relationship with all participants, and understand that any complaints of misconduct are governed by MABA's Bylaws. Additionally, participants agree to be bound by MABA's Code of Civility; Policy Against Unlawful Harassment, Discrimination, and Retaliation; and Bylaws. If you would like to review these policies, they can be found on our website at [www.mabaattorneys.com](http://www.mabaattorneys.com).

Again, thank you for your support of this program. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact MABA Mentorship Committee Chair Diego Arp, at [diegoarp@gmail.com](mailto:diegoarp@gmail.com) or MABA Administrator, Odalis Flores, at [admin@mabaattorneys.com](mailto:admin@mabaattorneys.com).

Thank you,

/s/

Elizabeth Hernandez  
MABA 2024 President



## **Guidelines for Mentor Participation in MABA Mentorship Program**

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It is MABA's goal that mentors and students are able to form beneficial relationships that foster the growth and professional development of law students. To achieve this goal, MABA has adopted the following guidelines.

- (1) Number of Meetings Per Academic Semester:** It is encouraged that mentors meet in-person with law students at least twice per academic semester.
- (2) Meeting Locations:** Meetings between program participants should be scheduled in public locations, e.g. at MABA mixers, in restaurants or coffee shops, or at other MCLE or bar association events. MABA strongly discourages meeting at bars or at the residence of either the law student or mentor.
- (3) Complaints:** If any participating party feels that they have been sexually harassed by another program participant or has been subject to other unwanted, harassing, or coercive behavior, a report should be immediately made to 2023 President Magdalena Casas ([president@mabaattorneys.com](mailto:president@mabaattorneys.com)) or MABA Mentorship Committee Chair Diego Arp ([diegoaarp@gmail.com](mailto:diegoaarp@gmail.com)). *All reports are confidential.*

Individuals who are found to have violated: (1) MABA's Code of Civility, (2) Policy Against Unlawful Harassment, Discrimination, and Retaliation, or (3) Bylaws are subject to expulsion from participation in the program.

- (4) Contacting Your Mentor/Law Student:** In addition to in-person meetings, students should feel comfortable emailing their mentors regarding professional opportunities or questions related to course-work or school activities. In-person or email communication is encouraged. Texting, while convenient, should not be the sole means of communication between mentors and students.

While MABA encourages students and mentors to learn more about one another, especially with respect to shared experiences, e.g. "What it is like to be a first-generation attorney," participants should not engage in conversations about intimate matters. MABA urges all participants to exercise their best personal and professional judgment while participating in the program with regard to their conduct.



## Mentor Application

### **Section One: Contact & Biographical Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_ Are You a Current MABA Member? \_\_\_\_\_

Law School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been disciplined by the California Bar or any other state bar association? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, please attach an explanation, including the date of the discipline and describe the reason for the imposition of discipline.

### **Section Two: Practice Area(s)**

Please list your current and past areas of practice, where practiced, position, and number of years practiced (e.g. Plaintiff-Side Employment, ABC Firm, Associate 1999-2005)

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### **Section Three: Bar Associations, Memberships, Volunteer Activities**

Please list bar associations and volunteer activities in which you participate. If you find it helpful, please list any activities in which you participated in law school (e.g. moot court, law review, La Raza, journals).

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**Section Four:**

Are you willing to mentor more than one law student? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a mentor to a law student via any other bar association or organization? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please list the program(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Verification**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree that by participating as a mentor in MABA's Law Student Mentorship Program that I am bound by MABA's Bylaws; Code of Civility; and Policy Against Unlawful Harassment, Discrimination, and Retaliation. I agree to uphold the integrity and mission of the program, maintain a professional relationship with all participants, and understand that any complaints of misconduct are governed by MABA's Bylaws.

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*Signature (electronic signature accepted)*

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*Date*