



South Carolina Bar

Young Lawyers Division

2026-2027 HANDBOOK



2026 YLD LEADERSHIP



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear Colleague,

Greetings from the South Carolina Bar! The Young Lawyers Division is a thriving part of our organization, offering incredible ways to connect with other lawyers who are also in their early years of practice. It is my hope that as you continue to build your practice and your relationships with lawyers across the state, you develop a deep appreciation for how much we value civility and collegiality. We are better together, and I assure you the South Carolina Bar is here to assist you through every step of your career.

In this handbook you will find that our Bar offers several programs to support your professional growth. In addition to the 40+ sections and committees offered by the Bar, the YLD offers even more opportunities to connect with and strengthen our legal community. The SC Bar Pro Bono Program provides public services through expungement clinics, wills clinics, or direct representation.

Our **mentoring** program has grown into a flagship initiative. It's about more than pairing names – it ensures that no new attorney falls through the cracks. Our Practice Management Assistance Program offers resources to walk you through starting a law practice and **free legal research** through vLex Fastcase. The **Risk Management Helpline** offers access to experienced staff lawyers who are available to discuss and analyze ethics issues and professional responsibility dilemmas. Additionally, our Lawyers Helping Lawyers program provides confidential assistance for attorneys who are suffering from substance abuse or mental health issues; as a member of the South Carolina Bar, we are proud to offer you **five free counseling sessions per year** to help you navigate the stresses of practicing law.

Our CLE programs are focused on South Carolina law taught by South Carolina lawyers – you will find no courses more pertinent to your practice than through our CLE offerings. Programs are offered on demand, in person, and via webinar to give members the best value, variety and flexibility in CLE programming.

The programs listed above represent just a snapshot of the benefits you receive as a member of the South Carolina Bar. I encourage you to get involved and take advantage of all that your membership has to offer. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me or any of our amazing Bar staff if you have questions.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emma T. Dean". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Emma T. Dean
Executive Director

FROM THE YLD PRESIDENT



Dear YLD Members,

It is time for a new Bar year to begin, and with that comes a new year of opportunities. If we have not met, my name is Mary Catherine Harbin, and it is both my pleasure and privilege to serve as your president of the Young Lawyers Division this year.

If this is your first year in the YLD, welcome — we are so excited to have you. To those returning for another year, welcome back. I hope you will continue to stay involved and help us build on the strong foundation already in place.

This year, the YLD is restructuring and shifting our committees in a new direction. While change can be challenging, I am excited to begin this journey with you as we enter a new era of the YLD.

The YLD is a platform for networking, professional growth, communication, and service — all of which I am committed to continuing and expanding this year. A major goal for the upcoming year is to introduce more law students to the YLD and help them understand the opportunities that await them after passing the bar. Engagement starts early, and with more leaders involved, even greater impact is possible.

I want to thank each and every one of you who are already serving. The great things we accomplish would not be possible without you. For those who are not yet involved, I encourage you to join a committee. Serving on a committee is an incredibly rewarding opportunity that can lead to meaningful relationships and experiences. Even if you only have an hour or two to give, we would love to serve alongside you.

I encourage you to take a chance on yourself and the YLD this year. If you have any questions, ideas, or thoughts, please do not hesitate to give me a call or send me an email. I am here to work with you and for you. Here's to working together and making this a fantastic year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'marycatharbin'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial 'M'.

Mary Catherine Harbin

YLD 2026–27 President

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Membership Essentials

MEMBER INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

Attorney Information System (AIS)

Required Action: All contact information must be verified and updated through the Attorney Information System (AIS) before paying license fees. AIS is administered and managed by the Supreme Court of South Carolina.

Assistance: AIS Help Desk 1-855-235-2500

Access: www.sccourts.org/ais

Duty to Maintain Current Information

Required Action: Members must keep all contact information, firm details, and practice areas current within the SC Bar Member Dashboard to ensure accurate communication and compliance tracking.

MEMBER DASHBOARD

Digital Access

Log in to the SC Bar website at www.sccourts.org. Use the Member Dashboard to review invoices, access CLE webinar classroom, Fastcase, update email preferences, keep up with committee/section information, and update pro bono preferences.

ANNUAL LICENSE FEES

Membership Renewal

In accordance with Rule 419, SCACR, members must renew annually to remain in good standing and retain access to SC Bar services.

Due Date and Authority

Under Rule 410(c), SCACR, annual license fees are due January 1. No hardship exemption is available.

Invoicing Schedule

Online Availability: Mid-October

Paper Mailings: Mid-November

Obligation: Members must pay by January 1 regardless of whether an invoice is received.

Payment Process

1. Log into the Member Dashboard
2. Review invoice
3. Pay online or mail payment to: **SC Bar, P.O. Box 208, Columbia, SC 29202**

Consequences of Late Payment

Failure to pay by January 1 results in administrative suspension by the Supreme Court and requires surrender of the member's certificate.

CERTIFICATES, STATUS CHANGES & BAR CARDS

Certificates of Good Standing

Issued by the South Carolina Supreme Court. Electronic certificates may be generated through AIS for regular members in Good Standing. More information: www.sccourts.org/bar-admissions/home/

Status Changes (Retirement/Inactive)

Requested via AIS at www.sccourts.org/ais.

Inactive members must pay annual fees but are exempt from CLE requirements.

SC Bar Identification Cards

A member's first photo ID is free. Replacement cards are \$5, or \$10 for photo IDs. Contact Dina Epps at dina.epps@scbar.org.

Headshots are accepted by email at dina.epps@scbar.org

For assistance: (803) 799-6653, ext. 155



CLE REQUIREMENTS

Active members must complete 14 hours annually, including 2 hours of ethics. The reporting deadline is March 1.

The compliance deadline for attorneys and judges to report their yearly MCLE credits is on or before March 1. The CLE reporting year runs from March 1 until the last day of February. For more information, visit the Commission's page: www.commcle.org.

For assistance: (803) 799-5578

CLE Credit Hours

You can check your CLE credit hours with the Commission on CLE and Specialization at: www.commcle.org

NEW ADMITTEES & FEE SCHEDULES

Fee Rules

Admitted After June 30: Exempt from license fees for the remainder of the calendar year; billed for the coming year in November.

Admitted January 1–June 30: Pay half of the license fee for the year of admission.

New Member Resources

If you are a newly-admitted SC Bar member, check out our special page for you at:
www.scbars.org/newmembers

TECHNICAL HELP

vLex Fastcase – For vLex Fastcase login assistance, please use the online form at www.scbars.org/contact-us. If you get an error message that an account already exists for your email, you can also contact helpdesk-us@vlex.com

SC Bar Username and Password Assistance – If you need help retrieving or resetting your SC Bar username or password, the quickest way to get assistance is by email. Please contact Dina Epps at dina.epps@scbar.org for support. You may also call us at 803-799-6653, Ext. 155 for additional help.

Membership Benefits

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE TOOLS



Bar members have a free subscription to vlex Fastcase, a comprehensive online legal research tool. Your Fastcase subscription includes case law in all 50 states, all federal courts, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, U.S. Board of Tax Appeals, U.S. Department of Justice Board of Immigration Appeals, statutes, regulations and much more.

Fastcase is accessed through the Bar's homepage member login. For vLex Fastcase login assistance, please use the online form at www.scbars.org/contact-us. If you get an error message that an account already exists for your email, you can also contact helpdesk-us@vlex.com.

Find user guides, links to free webinars and online tutorials, and helpful contact information: www.scbars.org/fastcase.

Managing your Law Practice

Your SC Bar membership gives you access to a wide range of resources designed to help you successfully manage your law practice. Whether you're opening a new firm, closing an existing one, or simply looking for ways to improve efficiency, we have tools to support you.

- Openings & Closings – Guidance for starting or winding down your practice.
- General Tips – Practical advice for everyday law practice management.
- Technology – Tools and solutions to streamline your workflow.
- Forms – Access essential forms for your practice.
- Checklists – Stay organized with ready-to-use checklists.

For full details and direct access to these resources, visit www.scbars.org/practicemanagement.

Ethics Advisory Opinions

If you would like to obtain a written Ethics Advisory Opinion from the Ethics Advisory Committee, you may email a request with your name, bar number, email address, phone number, and a brief statement of facts and the nature of your ethics inquiry. If your matter is urgent, you may wish to retain professional ethics counsel. Please email all request to PMAP@scbar.org.

You can search and download full text of past Ethics Advisory Opinions at www.scbars.org/ethics.

The Risk Management Helpline

The Risk Management Helpline offers confidential, non-binding guidance for Bar members with questions about the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct. This service provides a brief, informal conversation focused on your own prospective conduct—not past actions or the conduct of others.

While we can help locate resources and serve as a sounding board, Bar members are responsible for their own research and conclusions. We do not provide legal advice, answer questions of law, or address matters in litigation or disciplinary proceedings. Guidance is general and based solely on the facts you provide.

To request assistance, email your name, bar number, contact information, and a brief summary of your ethics inquiry. For urgent matters, consider retaining professional ethics counsel.

For management consultations: pmap@scbar.org

HEALTH & WELL-BEING



Compassionate. Confidential.

Lawyers Helping Lawyers (LHL) is a confidential member benefit available to all South Carolina Bar Members. In addition to protecting the integrity of the legal profession and the clients we serve, LHL's key mission is to help South Carolina lawyers, judges, and law students who are experiencing substance use disorders or other mental or emotional disorders that can often be triggered by the stressors of the profession.

LHL provides education about mental illnesses including substance use disorders; stress management and recovery assistance; Interventions; referrals for assessment to counseling or a volunteer recovery mentor; recovery monitoring; and assistance with Character and Fitness referrals.

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All inquiries, questions, and consultations are privileged and held in the strictest confidence between the program and the lawyer by 8.3(c) of Rule 407, SCACR.

Free Counseling Services

Every Bar member is entitled to five free sessions of counseling a year through Lawyers Helping Lawyers. Through our contract with Curalinc, LLC every Bar member has access to mental health coaching and a vast supply of self-help resources.

To be referred to a counselor in your area or if you need assistance after office hours: call (855) 321-4384.

Curalinc, LLC online platform: scblhl.mysupportportal.com, group code: scblhl

Group Health Insurance for Eligible Members

Eligible South Carolina Bar members have access to a discounted organization health insurance plan offered through the SC Bar Group Insurance Trust. This benefit leverages association buying power to help reduce health-care costs while providing reliable, high-quality coverage.

Members can choose from flexible plan designs, making it easy to select options that meet the needs of their practice and budget. With trusted carriers and plans tailored for legal professionals, this benefit delivers meaningful value, cost efficiency, and dependable protection.

For details or enrollment assistance: 866-567-2227 or scbargroupintrust@siconsultants.com

COMMUNICATIONS

eBlast Newsletter

Our weekly e-newsletter features advance sheet summaries, CLE information, court news, firm announcements, member spotlights, tech tips, event invitations and other timely news briefs for the legal community.

Sign up at www.scbar.org/eblast

YLD Announcements & Newsletter

Every other week, YLD members receive their own curated announcement email, highlighting upcoming events, special recognitions, and other news helpful to your growing practice. Each quarter, the YLD Newsletter is also distributed featuring a letter from the YLD President, announcing the Stars of the Quarter, and timely information specifically written for young lawyers.

SC Lawyer Magazine

The glossy and engaging magazine includes timely legal articles as well as updates on news and events and trusted insight from columns like Ethics Watch, The Scrivener, Beyond the Bar and Bar Bytes. SC Lawyer is published four times a year, and printed copies are mailed to all Bar members. A digital version is available at www.scbar.org/sclawyer. **To pitch an idea or submit an article, email articles@scbar.org.**



Continuing Legal Education (CLE)

The South Carolina Bar's CLE program delivers South Carolina-focused courses, publications, and learning experiences to help attorneys stay informed, competent, and practice ready. All active Bar members must complete 14 hours of CLE each year, including 2 hours of ethics and 1 hour of Substance Abuse/Mental Health every other year (SCACR 408).

FLEXIBLE LEARNING OPTIONS

Live Programming

- Live seminars at the SC Bar Headquarters & Conference Center and statewide locations
- Live webinars accessible from your home or office

Self Paced Learning

- On demand CLE Courses available 24/7
- Books and publications through the SC Bar Bookstore

Relevant Education for Every Practice Area

CLE offerings span domestic law, personal injury, criminal practice, practice management, ethics, and more delivered through seminars, workshops, webcasts, and on demand formats. Our mission is to make meeting your CLE requirements easy while helping you stay current and confident in your practice.

Start learning: www.scbar.org/cle



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BIG TICKET — UNLIMITED CLE FOR ONE PRICE

The Big Ticket provides unlimited access to most live seminars, live webcasts, and on demand programs for one annual fee. It's the most cost effective way to stay compliant and up to date with year round CLE opportunities.

Learn more

www.scbar.org/bigticket

ALTERNATIVELY DELIVERED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Access on demand programs in 50+ practice areas, from 30 minute sessions to six hour courses. Participate in live webcasts or view archived programs for up to 30 days.

Through our partner Freestone, members can purchase hundreds of advanced live webinars and on demand courses, many eligible for Specialization Credit.

How to get started:

- Pre register for webinars by 5 p.m. the day before
- Log in 30 minutes early to access materials
- Download your certificate after completion

Learn anywhere: www.scbars.org/CLEOnDemand



PUBLICATIONS

SC Bar CLE Publications offers 100+ titles and legal software products covering every major practice area in South Carolina. Many are available digitally through vLex Fastcase, offering searchable, hyperlinked content. Members can also download seminar course books for free.

Bookstore

The SC Bar Publications Bookstore provides authoritative, South Carolina–specific practice manuals, form books, guides, and specialized treatises written by South Carolina lawyers. The catalog is updated regularly to ensure access to the most current legal information.

View and order publications: www.scbars.org/bookstore

Bar Programs



Lawyer Mentoring Program

A program of the South Carolina Supreme Court

LAWYER MENTORING PROGRAM

The South Carolina Supreme Court's Lawyer Mentoring Program connects new lawyers, who have recently been admitted to the practice of law, with experienced lawyers for a year-long mentorship.

Mentoring Program: Rule 425, SCACR

Both the new lawyer and seasoned attorney benefit from the professional relationship, which encourages collaboration in developing goals, growing networks and engaging in the legal community throughout South Carolina.

Mentors must have at least five years of experience in the active practice of law. Upon completion of the program, mentors receive four CLE hours, including two hours of ethics. All new lawyers must register with the mentoring program within 30 days of their admission to the South Carolina Bar.

Learn more or register: <https://scmentoring.chronus.com>



LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

This program, open to members in practice from three to 15 years, is designed to train the next generation of Bar and community leaders. Class members take part in networking opportunities, professionalism training and community awareness exercises. They get the chance to hone a variety of skills necessary to give back to the profession and position themselves as leaders in their communities. The class meets monthly for approximately five months, with each session focusing on a different topic.

The nomination and application period begins in the summer of each year, and the sessions usually span January through May yearly.

Learn more: www.scbar.org/leadershipacademy

LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE (LRS)

The Lawyer Referral Service (LRS) provides referral to individuals needing qualified, prescreened lawyers. In turn the Bar provides attorneys with an affordable way to grow or expand their practice with advertising and local exposure. Over the past five years 185,000 client referrals were made to participating attorneys with 14.7 million dollars collected in attorney fees. Lawyers in the program agree to a 30-minute consultation at a charge for no more than \$50, if the consultation goes over 30 minutes or you are hired to represent the individual, you can begin charging your standard rate.

To serve as an LRS attorney you must have practiced for at least two years, be active and in good standing with the Bar, and cannot have any disciplinary history . Once accepted, LRS members must maintain at least \$100,000 in liability insurance and provide a declarations page for proof of insurance.

The application fee is \$50 per county. Applications and questions can be emailed to barbara.areheart@scbar.org or mailed to PO Box 208 Columbia, SC 29202.

Learn more and sign up at www.scbar.org/LawyerLRS

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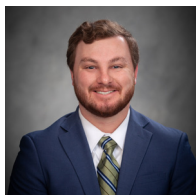
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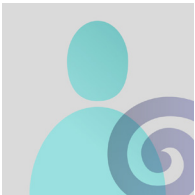
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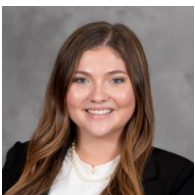
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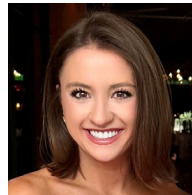
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Bar Convention Committee

The Bar Convention Committee is responsible for curating the Young Lawyers Division's presence at the annual SC Bar Convention. Members collaborate to design a dynamic experience that balances professional growth with community impact, including the development of a compelling CLE specifically tailored to the needs of early-career attorneys. Beyond the classroom, the committee organizes a meaningful service project to benefit the local community and hosts a premier social event that fosters networking between young lawyers, the broader Bar membership, and distinguished members of the judiciary.

As a member of the Bar Convention Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Organize a CLE, coordinate a legal community service project and plan a networking event to take place during the annual bar convention.

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Diversity Committee

The purpose of the Diversity Committee is to support a broad scope of diversity within the legal profession; to facilitate opportunities for law students and YLD members to grow in their understanding of diversity in the legal profession; and to promote the equality of opportunity for those seeking careers in the legal profession. The committee is dedicated to creating a more inclusive legal community grounded in respect and appreciation for individual differences. The committee also works with the Bar's Diversity Committee to engage with the legal community.

As a member of the Diversity Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Organize educational programs and events for young lawyers and the Bar.
- Organize outreach opportunities for college students to encourage interest in the legal profession.

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Education Outreach

The Education Outreach Committee is committed to educating students both about the law and the practice of law. This committee's goal is, by engaging with students at an early stage, to help build a pipeline of future attorneys who are passionate about upholding our legal system. The focus is to introduce the profession to students and foster an inclusive environment for students to recognize their potential to become an attorney, while participating in events that provide an opportunity to cultivate knowledge and skills that will aid them in their futures. This committee oversees YLD's participation in Community Law Week during the first week in May.

As a member of the Student Outreach Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Organize and participate in events such as Law Day and Constitution Day
- Visit schools and classrooms to teach students about the Constitution and the practice of law
- Make a positive impact on the lives of students in our communities

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Law Student Committee

The Law Student Committee serves as a vital bridge between the academic and professional legal communities, creating meaningful opportunities for YLD members and law students to connect. By facilitating these interactions, the committee provides students with an early introduction to the resources and professional network of the SC Bar and its Young Lawyers Division. The committee hosts a diverse range of engagement events designed to foster mentorship and practical insight, including:

- “Donuts and Discourse” and “Pizza and Perspectives,” which offer casual forums for law students to engage in candid conversations about practicing law with practicing attorneys.
- “Grab-A-Coffee,” a virtual mentoring initiative that allows for flexible, one-on-one professional guidance.
- Networking events between young lawyers and law students to build camaraderie and strengthen the future of the South Carolina legal profession.

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Lawyer Wellness

The Lawyer Wellness Committee provides programming for young lawyers that promotes mental, emotional, physical, and social wellbeing. This committee strives to provide resources and tools to young lawyers that address work/life balance, stress management, mental health, alcohol and substance use issues, physical health and wellbeing, and other quality of life practices specific to lawyers. The YLD Lawyer Wellness Committee continues with plans to collaborate with the Bar's Wellness Committee and Lawyers Helping Lawyers to develop programs and events.

As a member of the Lawyer Wellness Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Organize educational programs and events for young lawyers and the Bar.
- Collaborate with the SC Bar Wellness Committee and Lawyers Helping Lawyers.

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Long-Range Planning Committee

The Long-Range Planning Committee is a new initiative that will act as a strategic architect for the professional future of early-career attorneys, ensuring that the Young Lawyers Division remains relevant and responsive to evolving needs. This committee will develop multi-year frameworks—often spanning three to five years—to guide initiatives in professional development, leadership cultivation, and legal community advocacy. Its primary mission is to identify emerging challenges in the legal marketplace, such as technological shifts or work-life balance concerns, and implement sustainable programs like mentorship pathways and specialized training modules that facilitate the transition from law student to established practitioner.

As a member of the Long-Range Planning Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Establish goals for the future of the Young Lawyers Division.
- Create guidelines to accomplish future goals.

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Publications Committee

Members of the Publications Committee prepare and update YLD publications. The committee is responsible for the Division's newsletter, "South Carolina Young Lawyer," which is distributed quarterly to all YLD members and published on the SC Bar's website. It includes committee reports, Star of the Quarter spotlights, member stories and articles on relevant topics, practice tips, and more valuable content. The *South Carolina Young Lawyer* has received national awards and recognition for the content provided to YLD members.

As a member of the Publications Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Solicit and plan for content in the "South Carolina Young Lawyer."
- Work with SC Bar Communications to organize and plan YLD social media content.

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Professional Development Committee

The Professional Development Committee's continuing goal is to assist young lawyers in becoming successful in the legal profession by facilitating networking opportunities with other young professionals and providing educational opportunities that focus on relevant issues relating to the profession. These events can vary from after work events with other young professional organizations; lunch and learn events for YLD members; and opportunities for soft skills enhancement, business etiquette tips, business development, coaching and more.

Over the last five years, the Professional Development Committee has hosted a monthly lunch series at a few of the federal courthouses in the state, through a partnership with The Hon. Patrick Duffy (ret.) and The Hon. Michelle Childs. Some young professional organizations that the Professional Development Committee works with are the Young Bankers Division, the SC Association of Certified Public Accountants, and the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors of South Carolina.

As a member of the Professional Development Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Organize practical professional development events for young lawyers.
- Organize networking opportunities for young lawyers with the Bar and other young professionals.

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SC Bar Foundation Committee

The South Carolina Bar Foundation Committee introduces young lawyers to the mission of the Bar's charitable arm: promoting justice by funding civil legal aid and law-related education. As a member, you will gain firsthand insight into the impact of over 50 Bar Foundation grantees that support vulnerable South Carolinians, including survivors of domestic violence, homeless families, and those navigating the legal system without representation. Committee members have the unique opportunity to work alongside these organizations, directly contributing to a stronger, more equitable legal community across the state.

As a member of the Bar Foundation Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Coordinate events with Foundation grantees and support Pro Bono efforts around the state.

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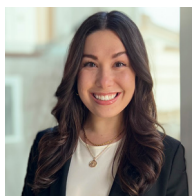
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Transition To Practice Committee

The Transition to Practice (TTP) Committee plays a vital role in supporting the professional integration of newly admitted attorneys into the South Carolina Bar. By focusing on the critical early years of a legal career, the committee facilitates high-impact mentoring relationships that pair experienced practitioners with new members to navigate the practical and ethical complexities of the profession. Through a dedicated series of workshops and career enhancement opportunities, TTP members provide the essential guidance and resources necessary for new lawyers to develop professional habits, build strategic networks, and successfully transition from the academic world to effective practice within a law firm.

As a member of the Transition to Practice Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Provide newly admitted attorneys with the confidence to succeed by planning educational events and networking opportunities.

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Voices Against Violence Committee

The Voices Against Violence Committee educates young lawyers and the public about the challenges victims of violent crime face. This committee encourages advocacy for victims through pro bono services, CLE seminars, and providing hands-on legal support to programs that aid victims of violence.

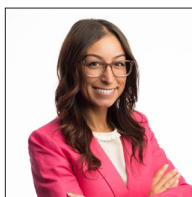
As a member of Voices Against Violence Committee, you will have the opportunity to:

- Organize educational programs and events for young lawyers.
- Organize outreach and pro bono opportunities for young lawyers.

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