



If you are currently not practicing law you can change to Emeritus Pro Bono status. Emeritus Pro Bono status allows you to practice law for a Qualified Legal Services Provider only. This is ideal for parents, caregivers and retirees who want to volunteer and help their community.

Emeritus Pro Bono Membership Status

Qualifications Summary (see wsba.org for full list):

- Licensed in Washington with active legal experience for at least 5 of the 10 years preceding the application;
- Complete emeritus pro bono training requirements;
- Sign up to volunteer with a Qualified Legal Services Provider (see wsba.org for list)

Benefits:

- NO MCLE requirements
- NO minimum service hours required
- Reduced license fees (same as inactive)
- Help close the access to justice gap
- Free access to Public Service CLEs
- Qualifies for pro bono publico hours (see RPC 6.1)
- Continue to serve on, or join, WSBA Committees/Panels/Boards/Sections as allowed
- Get court fees waived for low-income clients (see in forma pauperis rule - GR 34)
- Can return to active status when ready (see wsba.org for steps)

For more information or questions, contact publicservice@wsba.org