

REFUGEE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

E mail:

The Membership fee, payable to the “Refugee Lawyers Association” is enclosed.

Refugee Lawyer: \$75.00

Refugee Lawyer outside Ontario: \$75.00

Student Member: \$25.00

Observer Member: \$75.00

Send form and cheque to:

Refugee Lawyers Association
209 - 3852 Finch Avenue East
Scarborough ON
M1T 3T9

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I apply for a membership in the Refugee Lawyers Association. I will advise the RLA of changes to my address, if I am no longer qualified to be a member, or if my membership category has changed. The category of membership I apply for is set out below:

[] **LAWYER** - I certify that I am a member in good standing of the Law Society of Upper Canada, and that a substantial portion of my activity is devoted to advocacy on behalf of refugees and refugee claimants as a private practitioner, academic, member or representative of a non-governmental organization, or lawyer employed in a legal clinic in Ontario.

The following categories are enrolled in the discretion of the executive committee, will not have a vote at meetings of the Association or sit on the executive:

[] STUDENT MEMBER - I certify that (a)___ I am enrolled in a Bachelor of Laws programme at a Canadian university, or (b)___ I am enrolled as a Bar Admission course student, or (c)_____ I am an articled student or student-at-law.

[] REFUGEE LAWYER OUTSIDE ONTARIO: I am:

[] a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada and a substantial portion of my activity is devoted to advocacy on behalf of refugees and refugee claimants as a private practitioner, academic, member or representative of a non-governmental organization, or lawyer employed in a legal clinic outside Ontario.

[] a member of a provincial law society outside Ontario and a substantial portion of my activity is devoted to advocacy on behalf of refugees and refugee claimants as a private practitioner, academic, member or representative of a non-governmental organization, or lawyer employed in a legal clinic.

[] OBSERVER MEMBER - (This category permits the Association to honour individuals in non-government organizations or agencies who do special work in the refugee field.) I certify that I do not qualify as a LAWYER in Ontario or as a STUDENT MEMBER, and that I have an interest in advocacy on behalf of refugees and refugee claimants.

Date:_____

Applicant's Signature:_____

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The RLA maintains a list of lawyers who represent refugees in French at Refugee Protection Division hearings, which may be shared with Legal Aid Ontario or people seeking a lawyer who can represent them in French. If you would like to be included in this list, please confirm the following:

Do you speak French fluently and represent refugee claimants in French at Refugee Protection Division hearings? Yes _____ No _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete the form.