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## Oregon Chapter

Dear Admittee:

Congratulations on your admission to practice in the U.S. District Court in Oregon! The District of Oregon is a highly-respected court composed of talented and accomplished judges and staff. It is an honor to practice here, and I hope that you enjoy it as much as I do.

Whether you practice exclusively in federal court or not, you are invited to join the Oregon Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. The FBA provides numerous professional benefits, including educational resources about the court and the judges, engaging and reasonably-priced CLE programs, and numerous networking and social events to meet and develop relationships with the attorneys and judges in this district.

Our CLEs address a variety of important topics relating to federal practice and procedure, federal appellate litigation, and general trial practice. These events occur in various locations across Oregon. We also have a monthly lunch program in Portland that features a guest speaker (often one of our local federal judges) addressing a topic relevant to federal court practice, including the Chief Judge's annual State of the Court address. The FBA's annual dinner held in Portland in the spring is also an event not to be missed.

Membership in the FBA Oregon Chapter gives you access to these and many other events, in some cases at discounted prices. Some of the other benefits you will receive upon joining the FBA include:

Information about and access to resources and events put on by the national Federal Bar Association.

The opportunity to purchase the *Oregon Federal Judges Handbook*, which provides valuable information about the practices and preferences of the Oregon federal judges.

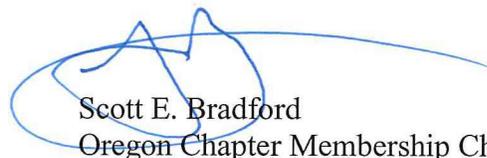
Receiving the nationally-recognized quarterly newsletter entitled: *For the District of Oregon*, which features articles and columns by Oregon lawyers and judges.

Participation in a members-only listserv which provides notices of upcoming FBA events and information concerning changes in local rules or other federal court procedures.

- The opportunity to participate in the FBA Younger Lawyers Division if you are under 37 years old or have been admitted to practice in federal court for three years or less. The YLD sponsors several CLEs and social events specifically aimed at meeting the needs of new attorneys. For more information about the YLD, please contact Nellie Barnard at [nellie.barnard@hkklaw.com](mailto:nellie.barnard@hkklaw.com).
- An invitation to a summer picnic held at Ninth Circuit Judge Edward Leavy's hop farm that is attended by many judges and practitioners and their families.
- Opportunities for volunteer work and leadership in the FBA—a great way to build lasting professional relationships and give back to both our local and national legal community.

Please consider joining us—we'd love to have your help as we work to support and improve the federal courts both here in Oregon and nationally. You can enroll using the FBA's website at [www.fedbar.org](http://www.fedbar.org), or you can mail in the application form to the address noted on the website. Joining the FBA automatically enrolls you as a member of the Oregon Chapter. If you have any questions about the Oregon Chapter, please visit our website at [www.oregonfba.org](http://www.oregonfba.org) or reach out to any of the officers or directors listed above. We are happy to talk with you about why we are committed to this organization and the benefits that we have received from it.

Very Truly Yours,



Scott E. Bradford  
Oregon Chapter Membership Chair