



There is a great need for attorneys who understand the Lutheran Church Missouri-Synod (“LCMS”) structure in addition to their respective areas of practice. This is most certainly true when situations arise with regard to setting up an LCMS Church or School, purchasing property, employment law issues, landlord-tenant issues, estate planning, etc. Many LCMS churches have one or more attorneys who are members in their church. Too often though, the issue is beyond that member attorney’s knowledge or training or, the matter is very sensitive and outside counsel would be better situated to deal with the matter. That is why the Florida-Georgia District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod formed the Lutheran Legal League (“League”) in 2015.

The need is great but the workers are few... familiar words right?

Membership in the League is open to attorneys who (1) are active members of an LCMS congregation; (2) who are licensed to practice law in at least the state; and (3) who have a desire and interest in providing their unique legal services to an LCMS entity/member. The League currently has actively practicing members in fifteen (15) states including Arkansas, California, Washington DC, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Nebraska, New York, Oregon, Texas, Virginia & Washington. It is our deepest desire that the Lutheran Legal League be available to all 6,000+ of our churches, schools and to our 2 plus million LCMS members. As you can see the need is great.

The League exists solely to provide LCMS entities, missions, and congregation members access to lawyers who happen to also be actively worshipping in an LCMS church. There is no membership fee for the attorney to join the Lutheran Legal League. In fact, the League itself does not collect any fee. The League does not require that its member exclusively provided pro bono, although that gift is always welcomed and appreciated. It does not require that its members even discount their services, although again, that gift is most welcomed and appreciated. The terms of engagement, if any, are between the requesting person/entity and the responding attorney. There is no minimum number of referrals the League member has to take and no maximum number of times he/she are permitted to assist. For that reason, the League needs strategically located LCMS attorneys who are ready, willing and able to help God’s people and His Church in their times of legal need. What better way to do so than through a fraternal organization whose hearts are bent on serving our Lord as the League ministers to God’s people through League members by way of their respective legal expertise and knowledge.

If you are an LCMS Church, School, Ministry, Worker or member in need of assistance in any of these states, please contact the League Administrator via email at RustyH@lutheranlegalleague.org. You can also check us out on our Facebook and LinkedIn pages.

If you are an attorney who meets the membership criteria, and you would like to extend your service to God’s people we invite you to join the Lutheran Legal League.