

Bar Association Leadership Opportunities

The DCBA Nominating Committee is welcoming applications to fill four Director vacancies and nominate the next Association Secretary for 2026. Serving your Bar Association is a wonderful opportunity to make a difference and to deepen your ties to your profession and your community.

There are some things you might [keep in mind](#) while considering this invitation:

- Directors serve for a two-year term.
- The Secretary serves for a one-year term and at the end of the year is eligible to be nominated for the Vice Presidency. The Secretary also serves on our Foundation Board during their term.
- Every two years, our Board and Officers are required to undergo a background check when we renew our Private Club Liquor License.
- Applicants, Directors, and Officers must be full DCBA members, with current dues timely paid.

And while you will be volunteering your service, there are certain [aspirational goals and expectations](#) that you should strive to meet. We call upon our Officers and Directors to:

- Attend all Board meetings, which generally occur on the third Thursday of each month, and attend as many Association social functions as possible.
- Attend the three membership meetings.
- Act as an ambassador for the Association by being familiar with the upcoming events and encouraging colleagues and Young Lawyers to attend.
- Assist the Board in satisfying its fiduciary obligations to the Association and to the Members.

We hope you will consider joining our incoming president Jessica Smith and the rest of the 2026 Board to enhance the good work and valuable community of DCBA.

To apply, please:

Send your name and contact information, along with a brief statement of interest to the Nominating Committee in care of Patrice Merzanis at patrice@dcba-pa.org or by simply replying to this email.

Responses must be received no later than Friday, October 31, 2025.

Feel free to reach out to [current Officers and Directors](#) with questions or to find out more about what it means to serve; or contact Patrice for more information. patrice@dcba-pa.org; 717-232-7536.