

ABA Commission on Mental and Physical Disability Law

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Mental & Physical Disability Law Reporter

Since 1976, the Commission has published the *Mental & Physical Disability Law Reporter*, which is available in print and online. Subscribers receive six issues per year and annual alphabetical and subject matter indexes with case citations. The *Reporter* summarizes more than 2,000 key federal and state court decisions, legislation, and regulations in 22 subject areas covering disability discrimination law and civil and criminal mental disability law. Organization price: \$384; individual price: \$324

Civil Mental Disability Law, Evidence and Testimony

Written by John Parry, J.D., this manual is divided into seven parts with 27 chapters focusing on: history and key clinical and legal definitions; individual rights within the community; mental disability discrimination law; federal and state entitlement programs; confidentiality, privacy, and professional liability; commitment and rights within facilities; and expert evidence and testimony. 2010; pp. 798; regular price: \$125; ABA member price: \$112.50

Criminal Mental Health and Disability Law, Evidence and Testimony

Written by John Parry, J.D., this manual examines the legal relationships that link criminal justice, mental health, and disability discrimination law and addresses legal standards and expert evidence and testimony pertaining to: criminal incompetency; insanity and diminished culpability; dangerousness; and conditions of confinement and release in jails, prisons, and secure treatment facilities. 2009; pp. 462; regular price \$110; ABA member price: \$99

Disability Discrimination Law, Evidence, and Testimony

This manual covers key aspects of disability discrimination law from several different perspectives to guide readers through myriad federal and state statutes, court cases, and regulations. The major areas of law covered are employment, state and local government, public accommodations, telecommunications, housing and zoning, education, and criminal and civil institutions; charts of the statutory law in the 50 states and the District of Columbia are included. 2008; pp. 694; regular price: \$105; ABA member price: \$95

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Equal Employment of Persons with Disabilities: Federal and State Law, Accommodations and Diversity: Best Practices



About the Commission

Established in 1973, the Commission's mission is "to promote the ABA's commitment to justice and the rule of law for persons with mental, physical, and sensory disabilities and to promote their full and equal participation in the legal profession." The Commission is comprised of 15 members appointed by the ABA President-Elect. Today, the Commission carries out an array of projects and activities addressing disability-related public policy, disability law, and the professional needs of lawyers and law students with disabilities.

Pledge for Change

A one-page pledge for legal employers to sign that affirms their commitment to promote disability diversity in the workplace and professions. Signatories are recognized on the Commission's website.

ABA Goal III

Goal III calls for the elimination of bias and the enhancement of diversity in the ABA, the profession, and the Justice System. The Commission issues an annual report on the level of participation by lawyers with disabilities in ABA leadership positions, and encourages their participation in ABA programs and activities.

The Paul G. Hearne Award

Each year, the Commission presents an award to an individual who or an organization that has performed exemplary service in furthering the rights, dignity, and access to justice for people with disabilities. Past award winners include the Disability Rights Legal Center (DRLC), Claudia B. Center, and the Disability Rights and Education Defense Fund (DREDF).

Subcommittee on Lawyers with Disabilities

The Subcommittee, comprised of Commission members, works toward the full and equal participation in the legal profession for lawyers with disabilities. Projects focus on education and outreach within the ABA, and within the legal profession as a whole, such as the National Mentor Program for law students, potential law students, and recent law school graduates who have disabilities. In addition, Disability Discussion Docket (3D), a free email list, features news and discussion on disability law and rights.

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