

**Joint Application for Consideration of Amicus Brief and/or Litigation to the  
Elder Law and Disability Rights Section of the State Bar of Michigan  
and  
Request for Funding from  
NAELA Michigan Chapter Litigation and Regulatory Advocacy Funds**

If you believe that you have a case that warrants involvement of the Elder Law and Disability Rights Section of the State Bar of Michigan ("Section"), and/or funding from the NAELA Michigan Chapter ("Chapter") Litigation and Regulatory Advocacy Fund ("Fund"), based upon the Section's Policy Regarding Consideration of Amicus/Litigation Case Matters, please complete this form and submit it to the Chair(s) of the Amicus/Litigation Case Committee, along with all relevant pleadings of the parties involved in the case, and all court orders and opinions rendered. If appropriate, the Chair of the Section's Amicus/Litigation Case Committee, will forward this form and its attachments to the President of the Chapter for review.

PLEASE NOTE: Upon release of funding in support of this request, the Chapter may promote its contribution to and involvement with the Chapter membership, allied organizations, the general public and media. If, as a result of litigation efforts, there is an award of fees and/or costs, the grantee shall reimburse or direct reimbursement of the Chapter from such award. Said reimbursement shall be in the same proportion as the Chapter's donation with respect to all financial support received from all sources, not to exceed the total amount of the Chapter's funding.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ P Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach Additional Sheets as Required**

Name of Case: \_\_\_\_\_

Parties Involved: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current status: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected timeline/Deadlines: \_\_\_\_\_

Issue(s) Presented: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Your Client's Position on the Matter: \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you aware of any prior positions taken by NAELA National, the Chapter or the Section that in anyway conflict with the position of your client in this Matter? If so, please elaborate: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Michigan Statute(s) or Court Rule(s) at Issue: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Common Law Issues/Cases at Issue: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please indicate why you believe that this case requires the involvement of the Section?  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Do you believe that a decision in this case will substantially impact Section and Chapter attorneys and their clients? If so, how?  
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Are you seeking funding or other financial assistance from the NAELA Michigan Chapter Litigation and Regulatory Advocacy Fund (please circle): Yes / No

If the answer to the previous question was in the affirmative, kindly indicate the amount of financial support you are requesting: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach all Pleadings, Transcripts, Decisions below, Applications for Appeal and Briefs.**

Are you proposing to handle the case yourself? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If no, please name the attorney, if any, that you are recommending to handle the case and whether you have contacted that attorney? \_\_\_\_\_

If recommending an attorney, what retainer will the attorney need to handle the case?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you are not recommending an attorney, do you want the Section to appoint an attorney to handle the case?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Please indicate the amount of funds you are seeking from the Chapter to assist with the funding of the litigation<sup>1</sup>: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The Section and the Chapter both have limited resources. Will you be able to help raise funds to support the case?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Please list any other existing or pending sources of funding along with anticipated amounts, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Note: Please anticipate that reviewing and deciding upon your application may take six to eight weeks from the time your completed application along with all relevant pleadings of the parties involved in the case, and all court orders and opinions rendered are submitted to the Committee Chair. In addition to the six to eight weeks review time for the Section there could be four to six weeks for the Chapter to review and make a decision regarding funding.**

**Also note that if the Section votes not to assist with your case you will not be informed of the reason for the decision. You will also not be informed of the reason if the Chapter votes not to assist with funding.**

Please sign and date this form and return it to the Chair(s) of the Committee. A digital signature is acceptable.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that a decision to initially financially support a matter is not a guarantee of the approval of all future requests for additional funding on the same matter. Each request for funding will be reviewed and evaluated with consideration given to the mission of NAELA, the Chapter, the availability of resources along with the best interest of the Chapter and those whom it serves.

Date submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of requesting attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

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**To: Chair of the Section Amicus/Litigation Case Matters:**

Please briefly indicate the history of this request with the Section. Specifically whether it has been presented to the Council at Large, voted on, and/or recommended for involvement by the Section.

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Please indicate any issues or concerns that the Chapter should be aware of in its consideration of this case for funding.

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