



# WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS PARALEGAL ASSOCIATION

## 2012 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

Preferred mailing address:    \_\_\_ Home    \_\_\_ Work

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

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Area(s) of specialization: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership in WMPA is based on a calendar year beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>. Dues are half after July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. All members are expected to read and abide by the WMPA Model Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct which can be viewed on WMPA's website. Membership status is subject to review by the Board of Directors.

### MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY (Select one)

As defined in the WMPA's by-laws, a paralegal/legal assistant is a person, qualified through education, training and/or work experience to perform substantive legal work that requires knowledge of the law, legal procedure, and skills related to the law and who works under the supervision of an attorney or is authorized by administrative, statutory, or court authority to perform this work. This person may be retained or employed by a lawyer, law office, governmental agency, corporation, or other entity.

VOTING \$60 \_\_\_\_\_ Any person employed as a paralegal at the time of application or renewal, shall be eligible to become a Voting Member. A Voting Member shall be entitled to one vote in the Association and shall have the privilege of holding office in the Association.

By signing below, I hereby certify that I am currently employed as a paralegal as defined above.

NON-VOTING ASSOCIATE \$60 \_\_\_\_\_ Any person who has been employed as a paralegal or has graduated from a paralegal program and is not employed at the time of application or renewal.

NON-VOTING STUDENT \$30 \_\_\_\_\_ Any person who is not employed as a paralegal but enrolled in a paralegal educational or training program or serving a paralegal internship related to such a program at the time of application or renewal. I am currently enrolled at \_\_\_\_\_ and expect to graduate in \_\_\_\_\_.

SUSTAINING MEMBER \$150 \_\_\_\_\_ if interested in this category of membership, please contact WMPA.

Please indicate the committee(s) on which you would be interested in serving:

\_\_\_\_\_ Nominating    \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter    \_\_\_\_\_ Pro Bono    \_\_\_\_\_ Membership  
\_\_\_\_\_ Programs    \_\_\_\_\_ Student Liaison    \_\_\_\_\_ Bar Liaison    \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Please return completed application with a check payable to WMPA, P.O. Box 15003, Springfield, MA 01115.