Idaho State Bar

* Who are we?
Voluntary Bar Associations
* Members can choose to join and there are no regulatory functions; focus is on professional association services.

Mandatory Bar Associations
* Members are required to join the bar, however, the bar may or may not be performing regulatory functions.
  * For example, WI and NH are mandatory, but do not perform any regulatory functions.
  * For example, WV, NC, and VA are mandatory and only perform regulatory functions.

* Integrated/Unified Bar Associations
* Members are required to join the bar, the bar performs regulatory functions as well as provides professional association services.
  * Among integrated bars, there are varying levels of how many regulatory functions are performed.
    * For example, WA, AK, ID and OR perform all regulatory functions on behalf of the Supreme Court. In MT, however, discipline reports directly to the Supreme Court but the MT bar performs several other regulatory functions on behalf of the Court.
The mission of the Idaho State Bar is to administer granting the privilege to practice law in Idaho; to control and regulate the legal profession; to protect the public from unauthorized practice of law and from unprofessional conduct by members of the bar; to promote high standards of professional conduct; and to aid in the advancement of the administration of justice.
What we do

* Why do we do what we do?
  * Regulate the legal profession
  * Protect the public
  * Improve the profession through education, services, and information
  * Improve the legal system

* What difference do we make?
  * Limit unethical conduct
  * Better-educated lawyers and public about the legal profession and system
  * Improvements to legal system and profession for lawyers and the public
  * Help lawyers to provide better service to their clients
Continuing Legal Education
sponsoring substantive & timely educational opportunities for members of the bar

Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program
organizing attorneys to provide pro bono civil legal services for low-income people

Interest on Lawyers Trust Accounts
working with members of the bar to place pooled client funds into interest bearing accounts

Law Related Education
enhancing public understanding of and respect for the law and our legal system
Main Functions

* Admissions
* Licensing, Membership, MCLE
* Bar Counsel/Discipline
* Governance
* Communications
* Members Services and Benefits
Admissions

* Processing applications for admissions
  * Bar exam
  * Reciprocal admission
  * UBE (uniform bar examination)
  * Administering the bar exam
    * Admissions process
  * Character and fitness screening
    * Conditional admissions
    * Legal intern licensing
    * Pro hac vice admissions
Idaho Applicants By Type 2010-2017

Bar Exam
Reciprocal
UBE
1998-2017 ISB Membership

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<td>67%</td>
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2009 and 2018 ISB Gender Statistics

2009 - Male 75%  Female 25%

2018 – Male 72% Female 28%
2009 and 2018 ISB Age Statistics

2009
- <30: 4%
- 30-39: 22%
- 40-49: 24%
- 50-59: 30%
- 60-69: 16%
- >=70: 4%

2018
- <30: 3%
- 30-39: 22%
- 40-49: 23%
- 50-59: 20%
- 60-69: 22%
- >=70: 10%
Licensing/Membership/MCLE

- Licensing process
- Compliance with licensing requirements
- Membership information and statistics
  - Status transfers
  - MCLE accreditation process
- Tracking MCLE for attorneys
  - Specialization
Licensing Statistics - 2017

Membership by Status
- ACT: 78%
- INA: 13%
- HC: 0%
- SEN: 5%
- EM: 0%
- JUD: 4%

Membership by District
- 4th: 37%
- 6th: 5%
- 5th: 4%
- 7th: 7%
- 3rd: 4%
- 1st: 7%
- 2nd: 4%
- Out of State: 31%
Bar Counsel

- Ethics Questions
- Grievance process
- Client assistance fund
- Fee arbitration
- Unauthorized practice of law
- Trust account overdrafts
Bar Counsel Statistics 2017

- Ethics Questions answered – 1,537
- Client Assistance Fund – 4 claims, $8,373 paid
- Average phone inquiries per month – 115
- Average grievances received per month – 28
- Informal Discipline cases closed – 45
- Formal charge cases closed – 18
  * Resignation in lieu of discipline – 3
  * Public Reprimand – 5
  * Suspension, withheld suspension or probation - 10
Governance

* Board of Commissioners
* Resolution Process
* District Bar Associations
* Oversight of administration of the Idaho Bar Commission Rules
Communications

* The Advocate
* Ebulletin
* Website
* Social Media
* Email blasts
Member Services

* CLE Programming
* Lawyer Assistance Program
* Succession Planning Guide
  * Sections
* Idaho Academy of Leadership for Lawyers
  * Annual Meeting
  * Awards
* Lawyer Referral Service
  * Casemaker
* Job Announcements
* Discounts on Goods and Services
Idaho State Bar

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