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Qualifications for Active Membership

Active membership shall be limited to attorneys at law who:

- (a) are admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania;*
- (b) are members of the Allegheny County Bar Association and who have their primary office located in Allegheny County;*
- (c) regularly appear in the litigation of a substantial number of civil cases in which a jury trial is either requested or eventually conducted in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County and/or the United States Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania;*
- (d) have been engaged principally in civil trial practice for a period of at least five (5) years;*
- (e) have had at least twenty (20) full days of civil jury trial accumulated in at least three (3) different civil jury trials; and*
- (f) who have completed at least three (3) civil trials to either a jury verdict or non-jury decision.*

The trial experience in (e) and (f) above may take place in any venue. A trial day includes procedures such as jury selection, motions after jury selection, opening and closing statements and taking testimony, and does not include pre-trial discovery or motions before -jury decision includes proceedings with the taking of testimony before a judge and an adjudication on the central issue of the lawsuit rather than decisions on procedural or collateral issues.