

HARTFORD COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATIONS SENDS OUT THE CALL TO RECRUIT SENIOR MEMBERS AS MENTORS

For the past two years, the leadership of the Hartford County Bar Association has been working to establish a mentoring program for new attorneys. Working on a parallel path with the Connecticut Bar Association's pilot mentoring program in conjunction with the New Haven Bar Association, the HCBA has launched its own version of a mentoring program. The HCBA has worked closely with the leadership of the CBA to ensure that its program would be compatible with the CBA program, anticipating a time in the future when there might be a broader, state-wide mentoring program, available to members in all counties.

For the present, the HCBA program is gearing up to test its wings in the first year of its own program. The intention of the program is to match up experienced members of the bar with new attorneys, affording the newly minted barristers the opportunity to learn from those who have been cultivating their professional skills for at least 10 years. An emphasis is being placed on ethics and professionalism.

If you are a member of the bar with at least 10 years experience and would consider serving as a mentor for a new attorney, you may submit your name to the HCBA executive office at jlambruso@hartfordbar.org. You will then be contacted for follow up by a member of the HCBA Mentoring Program Committee, who will further explain the goals and procedures for the program and the criteria for designation as a Mentor.