Legal Assistance Fund
FY23, Enroll Now!

The Legal Assistance Fund form for inclusion in FY23 is enclosed.

First, some background on the Legal Assistance Fund (LAF). The LAF was created in 2012 to provide participating MMMA members financial assistance with the defense of lawsuits or administrative actions against them relating to the performance of their duties and responsibilities. Coverage under the LAF applies, provided the action the member is being sued/investigated for was done in the good faith performance of his or her duties and is not in conflict with any of the MMMA's recently updated Bylaws, Policies & Procedures.

More recently, general contract guidance and advice was made a benefit of joining the LAF. This includes consultation with Attorney D.M. Moschos or Attorney John Clifford for ANY kind of contract questions. This kind of contract advice had previously been available pro-bono to all MMMA members but now **CONTRACT ADVICE IS ONLY AVAILABLE TO LAF DUES-PAYING MEMBERS.** LAF members may contact Moschos or Clifford directly at any time for this guidance.

If you require legal advice beyond general contract guidance, you will be required to retain your own legal counsel and you will then submit your expenses for reimbursement to the LAF committee. As referenced above, actions covered under the LAF include:

1. Defense of lawsuits or administrative actions relating to the performance of their duties and responsibilities
2. Negotiation of an Active member's severance agreement
3. An action taken that is in violation of the member's contract.

[Click here](#) to read the full LAF Rules and Regulations.

Participation in the LAF is completely voluntary and payment *must* be made with a personal check or credit card. The annual contribution amount is set at 0.1 percent of a member's base salary (0.001) with a maximum contribution amount of $100.

Enrollment Deadline: September 1, 2022. No late payment will be accepted.

Please contact Denise Baker at the MMA with any questions.