

Small Business Development Center Duquesne University

Helping businesses start, grow, and prosper.

Professional and Business Organizations

Legal Assistance

Pennsylvania Bar Association 100 South Street, P.O. Box 186 Harrisburg, PA 17108-17101 Phone 717-238-6715 Fax 717-238-1204 www.pabar.org

> If your county does not provide a referral service, you can contact the Pennsylvania Lawyer Referral Service (LRS) at 800-692-7375 or 717-238-6807. The LRS operates Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.. There is no charge for contacting the LRS. By using this service, you will be charged no more than \$25 for your first halfhour consultation with the lawyer to whom you are referred. Local counties who support a county bar association or provide a referral service are found below.

■ Allegheny County Bar Association 400 Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Ave. Pittsburg, PA 15219

Phon: 412-261-6161 Fax 412-261-3622 www.acba.org

Listing of attorneys licensed to practice law in Allegheny County. Searchable database \$20 fee.

■ Beaver County Bar Association 788 Turnpike St Beaver, PA 15009 Phone 724-728-4888

Lawyer Referral Service, Beaver: 412-728-4888

☐ Fayette County Bar Association 92 E. Main Street Uniontown, PA 15401 Phone 724-437-7994 Fax 412-430-4886

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www.sbdc.dug.edu

- □ Washington County Bar Association 119 S. College St Washington, PA 15301 Phone 724-225-6710 Fax 724-225-8345 www.washcobar.org
- □ Westmoreland Bar Association
 129 N. Pennsylvania Avenue
 Greensburg, PA 15601
 Phone 724-834-6730
 Fax 724-834-6855
 Lawyer Referral Service, Greensburg: 412-834-8490

New Business Membership Organizations

 □ National Business Association (NBA) 16775 Addison Rd Suite 410 Addison, TX 75001 Phone 972-458-0900 Fax 972-960-9149 www.nationalbusiness.org

The NBA uses its group buying power to provide members with support programs, cost and time saving products, services and small business resource materials.

□ National Association for the Self-Employed (NASE)
 P.O. Box 241
 Annapolis Junction, MD 20701-0241
 Phone 1-800-649-6273
 www.nase.org

NASE's provides benefits to members in the areas of business, personal and health services. They have three levels of membership providing different packages of benefits.

□ National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB)
 1201 F St NW #200
 Washington, DC 20004
 Phone: 202-554-9000
 www.nfib.com

The NFIB is the nation's largest small-business advocacy group representing the consensus views of its 600,000 members in DC and all 50 state capitals.

Local Business Membership Organizations

☐ SMC Business Councils 600 Cranberry Woods Drive, Suite 190 Pittsburgh, PA 15235-5068 Phone 412-371-1500 (local) www.smc.org

SMC Business Council is a trade association for smaller businesses in Pennsylvania. Member-companies receive products, information, and services which include employee management services, health insurance, discount programs, and contact with other businesses. Publishes *Dynamic Business* magazine.

■ Local Chambers of Commerce

To find your local chamber of commerce, check www.carnegielibrary.org/subject/business/chambers.html or call your local municipality

Women's Business Membership Organizations

National Association of Women's Business Owners (NAWBO)
 700 River Avenue
 Pittsburgh, PA 15212
 Phone 412-828-7891
 www.nawbopittsburgh.org

NAWBO holds meetings monthly, provides networking opportunities, and support to women business owners in the region.

■ Powerlink

1 Seton Hill Drive Greensburg, PA 15601 Phone 724-830-4625

www.e-magnify.com/powerlink

Powerlink provides existing women-owned businesses with yearlong advisory panels. The goal is to advance these businesses by providing high level advice for CEOs and owners. Companies must meet certain requirements to participate.