The mission of the Association is to strengthen the federal legal system and administration of justice by serving the interests and the needs of the federal practitioner, both public and private, the federal judiciary and the public they serve.

Our mission focuses on three constituencies:

- **Federal Practitioner**
- **Federal Judiciary**
- **Public**

Who We Are

National voluntary bar with more than 18,000 members including 1,861 members of the Judiciary

Approximately 100 chapters with boundaries that mirror the federal districts

Nonpartisan catalyst for communication between the bench and the bar and the public and private sectors

Strengthening the Administration of Justice

The FBA has an active presence in the nation’s capital, monitoring and participating in policymaking processes in Congress, the Executive Branch and the federal judiciary.

Our credibility in Washington hinges on our identity as a nonpartisan organization.

Serving the Interests of the Federal Judiciary

The FBA's Government Relations Committee actively monitors the following:

- Adequate Funding
- Judicial Vacancies
- Additional Judgeships
# BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

## Leadership & Networking
The FBA is large enough to have an impact on the federal legal profession, but small enough to provide meaningful and engaging opportunities for leadership and networking.

- **Local chapter connection** across the federal circuits
- **26 practice area** sections
- **6 career divisions**, including Judiciary Division and Federal Career Services Division
- **Volunteer leadership opportunities** within each chapter, section, and division

## Education
The FBA offers more than 700 credit hours of continuing legal education at both the national and local level throughout the year. The FBA promotes high standards of professional competence and ethical conduct.

- **National CLE conferences**, including the preeminent National Conference on Indian Law and Immigration Law
- **Local chapter CLE events**
- **Video and audio webinars**, many of which focus on professionalism and ethics

## Publications & Communications
Our members have access to outstanding publications that focus on federal law.

- **The Federal Lawyer** magazine, published 6 times a year; in-depth analysis of changes in federal law and the legal profession
- **Biweekly e-newsletter** brings trending legal news into your inbox
- **Section, division, and chapter newsletters** focus on issues specific to your practice
- **Judicial profiles**, bringing the bench and the bar together; attorney members interview judges and publish profiles

## Policy Priorities
The compass of the FBA's government relations program is its Issues Agenda. Focused on strengthening the federal legal system and protecting the independence of the Judiciary.

- Support for Independent Immigration Court
- PACER Modernization
- Haven Act