

Attendee Fact Sheet
Bar Leadership Forum
June 12-13, 2015
Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island

What is the Bar Leadership Forum?

- The Bar Leadership Forum is the only statewide leadership training for incoming presidents of local & special purpose bar associations, chairs of sections, and members of the Board of Commissioners. The Forum is to help bar leaders enhance their leadership skills and is designed to give you the tools you need to improve your organization.

What is the length of the conference?

- The Bar Leadership Forum begins at 1:00 p.m. Friday, June 12 and will run until 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 13. The Forum will be held in the Theatre Room at the Grand Hotel.

What is the cost of the conference, and how do I register?

- The cost for the conference is \$155 if you register before May 6, 2015 and \$195 if you register after May 6, 2015. To register, complete the Bar Leadership Forum registration form enclosed with your packet or available at <http://www.michbar.org/blf>

What is the cost for lodging at the Grand Hotel, and how do I reserve a room?

- The per-night hotel rate of \$465.91 (includes taxes and fees + \$8 baggage fee) for single occupancy includes dinner, breakfast, and the Grand Buffet luncheon. It costs only \$109.70 (includes taxes and fees + \$8 baggage fee) for a second person sharing your room, and their meals are also included. Taxi transportation to and from the boat docks and the hotel is not included.
- To reserve your room, complete the enclosed hotel reservation form and send directly to the Grand Hotel. Reservation requests must be made by **May 12, 2015**. You will receive a confirmation notice directly from the Grand Hotel via e-mail. You can also download the Grand Hotel reservation form at <http://www.michbar.org/blf.cfm>

What is the ferry schedule and ticket cost?

- You may choose either Arnold Transit Company or Shepler's Ferry to get to the island. Both are offering special rates for SBM attendees at the Mackinaw City and St. Ignace docks from June 11-14, 2015.
 - Shepler's Ferry is offering a discounted rate of \$18 for adults and \$9 for children 5-12 (under 5 free). To receive the discount, identify yourself as being with the State Bar of Michigan at the ticket window or purchase your tickets online at <http://sheplersferry.com/> using the code SBM15. The ferry goes to the island from the Mackinaw City docks every hour 7:30am-7:30pm (8:30pm on Fri & Sat). The trip on Shepler's takes approximately 16 minutes.
 - Arnold Ferry is offering a discounted rate of \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 5-12 (under 5 free). To receive the discount identify yourself as being with the State Bar of Michigan at the ticket window. The ferry runs from Mackinaw City every 2 hours 8am-6pm (8pm on Fri & Sat). View the schedule at <http://www.arnoldline.com>. The trip on Arnold Line takes approximately 45 minutes.

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What is the schedule for Friday afternoon?

- Registration opens at 10:30 a.m. on Friday located in the Straits of Mackinac room. You will have the opportunity to visit with vendors beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Capitol Club Room, with the Forum beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Theatre Room. The afternoon will consist of educational sessions with time to visit our vendors and enjoy mid-day refreshments. The program will adjourn at 5:00 p.m.
- **Hotel check-in is not until 4:00 p.m.** Note that your luggage may not be accessible until your room is available so please prepare your afternoon with this in mind. The hotel will check you in before 4:00 if your room is ready.

What is the schedule for Friday evening?

- There will be a Grand Reception from 6:00- 7:00 p.m. on the front porch where all attendees can socialize with friends and colleagues. There is a reception charge for spouse, guest, or child and is noted on the registration form. This is a ticketed event – your tickets will accompany your name badge when you register on-site.
- Following the reception, dinner (included in your guest room package) will be served in the main dining room until 8:45 p.m.

What is the schedule for Saturday?

- You will be on your own for breakfast (included in your guest room package). Breakfast will be served in the main dining room beginning at 7:30 a.m.
- Please note that checkout is at 11:00 a.m. When checking out of your room, you may call down to the bell stand to make arrangements for your luggage to be tagged and transported to the appropriate ferry dock. Luggage must be placed outside your room two hours prior to your scheduled ferry departure for this service, or you may choose to store your luggage at the bell stand and transport it to the dock yourself.
- The Bar Leadership Forum will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Theatre Room and will run until 1:00 p.m. A door prize drawing will begin at 12:30 p.m. You must be present to win.
- You will be on your own for lunch (included in your guest room package). Lunch will be served in the main dining room until 2:00 p.m.

What is the dress code for the Bar Leadership Forum?

- During the day, the dress code for the Bar Leadership Forum is resort casual.
- The Grand Hotel experience includes dressing up for dinner - after 6:30 p.m., ladies should be attired in a dress, skirt and blouse, or pantsuit and gentlemen are required to wear a coat and necktie. Evening wear is required in all areas of the hotel except the Cupola Bar, where casual dress is acceptable at any time.

If I have additional questions, whom do I contact?

- If you have additional questions regarding the Bar Leadership Forum, please contact Kari Thrush at kthrush@mail.michbar.org or (800) 968-1442 x6371.