
BAR LEADERSHIP FORUM

• June 8 & 9, 2018, Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island •

Attendee Fact Sheet

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 8 and will run until 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 9. 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 \$165 if you register before May 8, 2018 and \$195 if you register after May 8, 2018. To register, complete the Bar Leadership Forum registration form enclosed with your packet or available at 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 \$508.50 (includes taxes and fees) + \$8.50 one-time baggage fee for single occupancy includes dinner, breakfast, and the Grand Buffet luncheon. It costs only \$109.70 (includes taxes and fees) + \$8.50 one-time 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 8, 2018**. You will receive a confirmation notice directly from the Grand Hotel via e-mail. You can also download the Grand Hotel reservation form at michbar.org/blf

What is the ferry schedule and ticket cost?

- Shepler's Ferry is offering a discounted rate of \$19 for adults and \$10 for children 5-12 (under 5 free). To receive the discount, identify yourself with the State Bar of Michigan at the ticket window or purchase your tickets online at <http://sheplersferry.com> using the code SBM18 for both adult and child discounts. Shepler's Ferry leaves Mackinaw City every 30 minutes from 8:30am-7:30pm (earliest ferry is 7:30am, the last ferry is 9:30pm). The trip on Shepler's takes approximately 16 minutes. Parking is \$5 per night off-site or \$25.00 per night onsite at the dock. They no longer offer valet parking.
- Star Line Ferry is offering a discounted rate of \$18 for adults and \$9 for children ages 5-12 (under 5 free). To receive the discount, identify yourself with the State Bar of Michigan at the ticket window or purchase your tickets online at <https://www.mackinacferry.com> using the code SBM18. Star Line leaves Mackinac City every hour on the hour from 9:00am to 6:00pm. (Earliest ferry is 7:30am, the last ferry is 8:30pm). The trip on Star Line takes about 18 minutes. Parking is free in the overnight lot across the street from the dock, \$5 per night for fenced parking, and \$14 per night for valet.

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What is the schedule for Friday afternoon?

- Registration opens at 10:30 a.m. on Friday in the Straits of Mackinac room. You can 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 4:50 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, you are on your own for dinner (included in your guest room package) and is 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.
- Checkout is at 11:00 a.m. When checking out of your room, you may call down to the bell stand to arrange 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 9:15 a.m. in the Theatre Room and will run until 12:30 p.m. A door prize drawing will begin at 12:15 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@michbar.org or (800) 968-1442 x6371.