

SLR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

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This document provides guidelines for the State Law Resources Membership Committee as it considers prospective members that maintain offices in more than one jurisdiction.

To meet its objective of business development for Member Firms, SLR strives to maintain a network of diverse law firms selected for their expertise in government relations, administrative law, or regulatory law. In evaluating prospective members, the Membership Committee shall give due consideration to the manner in which law firms with offices in multiple jurisdictions contribute to meeting this objective.

A Member Firm may ordinarily represent only one state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico or any such additional territory, province, and/or other nation or political or economic union. If the Membership Committee determines that the unique circumstances of a jurisdiction or a Member Firm warrants a firm representing more than one jurisdiction, the Membership Committee may recommend such representation to the Board. The Membership Committee may not recommend a single Member Firm represent more than two jurisdictions.

Prior to recommending a prospective member to the Board, the Membership Committee shall ascertain whether the prospective member maintains an office in a jurisdiction represented by an existing Member Firm. If the prospective member maintains an office in a jurisdiction represented by an existing Member Firm, the Membership Committee shall not consider a motion to recommend the prospective member until after the Membership Committee has consulted with the Member Firm(s) that represent the jurisdiction(s) in which the prospective member also maintains an office. While not disqualifying, a prospective member's maintenance of an office in a jurisdiction represented by a Member Firm shall be a consideration for the Membership

Committee in assessing whether the prospective member will contribute to meeting the objective of business development for all SLR Member Firms. In making this assessment, the Membership Committee shall consider the following factors without giving a predetermined weight to any one factor:

1. The views of the Member Firm(s) that represent the jurisdiction(s) in which the prospective member also maintains an office.
2. The number of jurisdictions in which the prospective member maintains an office.
3. Whether the prospective member engages in the practice of government relations, administrative law or regulatory law in jurisdictions other than the state for which it is being considered for membership.
4. The overall involvement of objecting Member Firms in SLR including but not limited to the number and quality of referrals (inbound and outbound); participation in national and regional meetings; leadership; and practice group engagement.
5. The potential referrals from the prospective firm.
6. SLR's ability to attract a viable alternative prospective firm.