

# Why join the LAPL?

## What is the LAPL?

The Lafayette Association of Professional Landmen (LAPL) is an affiliated local association of the American Association of Professional Landmen (AAPL). Through AAPL, landmen have additional opportunities to network, experience educational programs and gain certification which will enhance their careers. Through AAPL, landmen also have access to different insurance programs. LAPL works very closely with AAPL to provide as many opportunities as possible for members to acquire continuing education credits and meet and communicate with other landmen throughout the country. The LAPL is an additional source of information and guidance for the landman profession in Lafayette and other surrounding communities. Our members enjoy a multitude of benefits that help them create more business opportunities, stay competitive in a fast-changing industry, enhance their credibility and advance the profession as a whole.

## LAPL membership benefits

**Networking** – LAPL events bring together hundreds of landmen from around the community, surrounding communities and even other states to provide outstanding networking opportunities for members. With our newsletter, website, member directory, social events, and educational opportunities, etc., LAPL provides access to qualified landmen throughout our area through one of the largest local job networks in the energy industry.

Monthly luncheons provide an opportunity to learn about current events and legal issues in our ever-changing industry, as well as an opportunity for networking. Points/credits are available; however, the education provided is stellar and a bonus to all in our industry.

Safety Meetings, which is our tongue-in-cheek term for a social, primarily takes place on the third Thursday of every month from 5 until 8. Safety Meetings provide a venue for our members in which to socialize, and also provide an advertising opportunity to our monthly sponsor. Each monthly sponsor chooses their venue and sponsorship level in return for advertising in the newsletter, on the website and Facebook, and eBlasts to our 500+ members,

Our annual Crawfish Boil and Golf Tournament are a duo that provides a setting in which many of our out of town associates (clients) anticipate attending annually. These primo events add a layer of professionalism to our organization, take a year to organize and rival similar events across the nation.

**Fundraising and giving back** – The LAPL awards scholarships to students in the ULL PLRM Program based on merit. Currently the LAPL is in its final year of a fundraising campaign designed to raise \$15,000.00 for the administrative services of the PLRM program. We see the generosity of our members at our December Safety Meeting. The charity is Love INC and every year the LAPL makes a significant contribution in toys and money to needy families at Christmas. Our Crawfish Boil is a charity event which has enabled us to donate several thousand dollars yearly to various local charities. With as blessed as we have all been in this industry, our members thrive on giving back.

**Educational Meetings** – LAPL hosts at least 9 educational programs, meetings and seminars locally each year to help members stay competitive in an ever-shifting industry. Both the LAPL Spring Seminar and the Fall Seminar offer no less than 7 credits each at an extremely affordable price. Our monthly luncheons are \$20 and include a full meal. Every hour of education provided is AAPL certified and counts towards continuing education points. However, all members are encouraged to further their education and attend these events as they are good networking opportunities as well.

**Publications** – LAPL publications include our colorful monthly newsletter. The newsletter keeps everyone up to date on all of our upcoming events, details about past events, and legal issues, etc. Local attorneys keep us informed on issues that are critical to our work by contributing a Legal Update.

**Resources** – LAPL provides various resources that help make landmen effective. Through [www.lapl.com](http://www.lapl.com), members can view our events calendar, download our LAPL New Member application, learn what our association is about, view our online directory, find the contact information of our Executive Committee members, view our list of sponsors as well as our newsletters and the past articles from our Board.

**Legislative Advocacy** – Membership in LAPL makes you a part of a united voice to seek what is best for the energy industry. LAPL supports the interests of landmen by being proactive on key legislative issues such as licensing and taxes. Our association works closely with AAPL and other Louisiana Associations to protect our landman industry from harmful legislation. LAPL is currently spearheading an effort to combine our resources with AAPL and our sister in-state Associations to create a Louisiana Coalition, which will provide a higher level of protection against such legislation.



## QUALIFICATIONS

Give a brief but specific statement setting forth the experience which qualifies you for ACTIVE, ASSOCIATE or STUDENT membership. Applicants should describe in detail, by year and month, land work relating to the mineral or energy industries (use separate sheet if necessary) or supervision of persons engaged in the land work.

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WHAT KIND OF MEMBERSHIP ARE YOU APPLYING FOR?: \_\_\_ ACTIVE \_\_\_ ASSOCIATE \_\_\_ STUDENT

## SPONSORS

Applicant is asked to secure TWO (2) ACTIVE MEMBERS as sponsors. These sponsors will have to fill in the information below and sign. This is to verify the applicant's experience. Sponsors are not to sign application unless they know the applicant personally and can attest to the applicant's credibility. Sponsors are to sign sponsor letters with this application if applicant is not currently a member of the AAPL or if any other Landman's Association. Sponsors may be required to answer additional questions bearing upon applicants qualifications, and should not sign as sponsor unless willing to supply such questions.

### SIGNATURES OF SPONSORS ARE REQUIRED ON THIS APPLICATION

#### **SPONSOR 1:**

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER(S): \_\_\_\_\_

#### **SPONSOR 2:**

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER(S): \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby apply for membership for the Lafayette Association of Professional Landmen (LAPL). Upon my acceptance, I agree to be bound by and comply with the Code of Ethics of the LAPL as contained within its by-laws. I understand that this application will be processed as quickly as possible by the Membership Committee, and that the applicant's name shall be listed as a prospective member on at least one (1) monthly newsletter requesting comments from the general membership. My receipt of the LAPL newsletter shall constitute notification of my acceptance by the Membership Committee as a member of LAPL.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_