

Denise Henning Connections Program

Coordinated by the Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City and AWL Foundation

Submission Deadline: November 3, 2023

Submit applications via email to:

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*Note: If you do not receive a reply confirming receipt of your application by email within 48 hours of submission, please call Karan, as your email may have been blocked by a Spam filter.

Selection and eligibility: Each year the advisory board of the Denise Henning Connections Program selects 6 mentee participants. Participants must be current members of AWL before the first meeting in January 2024 and must commit to attending all Connections events, as described below under "Required Meetings". Must be a licensed attorney with a minimum of 2 years experience.

Terms of Program: The 2024 Class of the Denise Henning Connections Program will meet for 3 years, 2024-2026.

Required Meetings: Participants in the Connections Program meet once a month. Group meetings take place beginning in January 2024 and occur 6 times per year in the odd number months. One-on-one mentor/mentee meetings take place on even number months beginning in February 2024. Attendance at all meetings is a required component of the program to ensure its success. We plan to introduce the new class at our Kick-Off meeting in January 2024. Participants typically receive the entire year's calendar of group meeting dates at or before the January 2024 group meeting. Individual mentor/mentee meeting dates are planned by the mutual agreement of the mentor/mentee. Because the Connections Program is free to mentees, mentees must commit to attending and volunteering at our annual spring event that raises funds for AWLF during the 3-year program.

Cost: There is no cost of the program to mentees. The program is funded by the generosity of mentors. This includes paying any costs associated with the mentor/mentee one-on-one meetings.

Name:

Email:

Law school:

Law school graduation date:

Years in practice:

State bar license(s):

Primary practice area:

Are you in (please check one):

public service

in-house counsel

private practice

Number of attorneys in your firm/agency:

How did you hear about this program:

Employer and work address:

Work phone:

Home Address:

Cell phone:

Are you a current or former member of AWL?

If yes, please state your years of membership and describe in detail your participation any in AWL programs or committees (please be specific):

If no, please state the reason you have not joined (e.g., new to city, lack of funds, etc.)

Were you a member of a women's law organization in law school?

Are you a member of any other bar associations/law organizations? (Please list)

If so, please state your years of membership and describe in detail your participation in any programs, committees, or boards:

Are you involved in any community organizations? (Please list)

If so, please state your years of membership and describe in detail your participation in any programs, committees, or boards:

Why do you want to be selected for the Connections Program?

What attributes or unique characteristics would you bring to the Connections Program?

What is your prior experience with mentorship (either as a mentee or mentor)?

How do you think your involvement in the Connections Program would help make you a better lawyer?

How do you think your involvement in the Connections Program would help make you a better community leader?

Please share any other information about yourself or your journey in the law that you think might provide insight as to why you should be selected:

Reference letters are not encouraged or required. Instead, please list the names and email or phone contact for 2 references who have known you for at least two years:

Please sign below confirming the above information is true and correct and that, if selected for the Connections Program, you commit to meeting with the group and your mentor as described above.

Applicant Signature: