

## **VALUES**

To be an invaluable resource to the legal profession and the community by:

- Fostering a culture of unbiased collegiality, ethics and professionalism;
- Championing equality, diversity and inclusion in the profession;
- Promoting equal access to legal and other law related services;
- Enhancing the success of our members through education, networking, leadership and professional development.

## **ABOUT**

The ACBA Young Lawyers Division (YLD) of the Allegheny County Bar Association is comprised of all lawyers who have been admitted to the practice of law for 10 years or less. Lawyers who join the ACBA and meet the criteria automatically become members of the Young Lawyers Division without paying any additional dues. The Young Lawyers Division provides young lawyers with a means of gaining broader participation in bar activities, a forum for continuing legal education and a vehicle for social exchange with their contemporaries at the bar. Students are also welcome to join the YLD.

The YLD is actively involved in helping young lawyers participate in activities of the ACBA and directs activities toward improving the administration of justice and prompting public welfare. The YLD helps young lawyers deal with problems and obligations specific to its members, and advises the ACBA of the needs and opinions of its newer members.

## **WAYS TO GET INVOLVED**

**Join a Committee:** The best way to get involved in the YLD is to attend monthly committee meetings. The meetings are very relaxed, they are open to all and lunch is provided! Committee members brainstorm, plan and execute the various events and programs that the YLD puts on each year.

Whether you are interested in helping plan an educational event, a public service initiative or simply socializing with peers, there is a YLD committee for you. Getting to know committee members at a meeting is an excellent way to network and move your career forward, or simply to make a new friend in the legal community. A full list of the YLD's committees (and their meeting schedules and locations) can be found at www.acbayld.org.

**Attend an Event:** The YLD hosts networking, educational and public service events almost every month. These events include everything from structured speed-networking and lunch-and-learn CLEs to charitable drives and laidback happy hours. The YLD has hosted social and charitable events at museums and art galleries, PNC Park and Heinz Field, local restaurants, bars and breweries, as well as numerous city parks. The YLD aims to offer a wide variety of events so you can have fun while getting to know other young lawyers.

**Get on the List:** Upon joining the ACBA, you will automatically be signed up for the weekly YLD "Sidebar" e-newsletter which will keep you up to date on everything going on with the YLD! We can't wait to meet you!

