

**Michigan Municipal League (MML)  
Legal Defense Fund (LDF)  
Case Request Form**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Office Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State-Wide Significance**

The LDF provides support and assistance to municipalities in court cases where the issues have a broad impact on both the municipality involved in the case and on other municipalities in the state.

**Please provide** information on how providing assistance will have a substantial benefit for a significant number of Michigan local governments. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**In which court is this case presently?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Presentation before the LDF Board Via Conference Call**

Please be prepared to present information to the Board not to exceed ten (10) minutes. Although with questions, the discussion can last up to 30 – 40 minutes. Chris Johnson, Fund Administrator, will phone you to add you to the call when the Board gets to your item on the agenda.

**Please provide the phone number** \_\_\_\_\_ **to add you to the call. If the number you provide changes, please contact Chris Johnson (cjohnson@mml.org); 734/669-6305) or Tawny Pearson (tpearson@mml.org; 734/669-6301).**

**Application for Assistance**

**Please complete the attached Application for Assistance.**

**NOTE: In the event the LDF Board defers or declines participation, please keep us posted if the status of the case changes, for instance, if it goes to the Court of Appeals or Supreme Court. The LDF Board may again consider whether or not to participate.**

**MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE LEGAL DEFENSE FUND**

1675 Green Road  
Ann Arbor, MI 48105-2530  
Phone: 734/662-3246

**Application for Assistance**

- 1. Municipality \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Is applicant a member of the Fund? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No
- 3. Population of municipal applicant \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Annual budget of applicant \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Facts of case: Please provide a short concise summary of the case facts and court proceedings. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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- 6. Stage of proceedings: Where is the court case at the present time (for example, motion for rehearing pending?) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Time consideration: What are the time limits involved? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Important legal issue presented \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Why is this issue of statewide importance? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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- 10. What assistance is requested from the Fund? \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Do you have a recommendation of a firm or individual attorney expert in the area involved?  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
If so, name and address \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
**Applicant**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**