

Voluntary Legal Aid Contributions Report

Legal Services Fees Collected for Years 2016-2020

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The State Bar of California

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The State Bar of California has submitted its Voluntary Legal Aid Contributions Report to the Secretary of the Senate, Legislative Counsel, Chief Clerk of Assembly, Legislature, and Senate and Assembly Committees on Judiciary in accordance with Business and Professions Code Section 6140.03, subdivision (c). The Voluntary Legal Aid Contributions Report details the amount of voluntary Legal Services fees received and the percent of paying licensees who have opted out of paying the fee.

The primary funding sources for Legal Services Trust Fund consist of Interest on Lawyers' Trust Account Revenue (IOLTA) and voluntary fees. IOLTA Revenue can vary widely from year to year depending on interest rates. The opt-out ratios have been stable from year to year with approximately one third of paying licensees opting out of paying the fee.

Voluntary Legal Aid Contributions through April 15					
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Contributions	\$6,059,700	\$6,295,500	\$5,712,700	\$6,049,400	\$6,179,500
Licensees	31.3%	26.6%	35.6%	33.4%	31.7%
Opted Out					