

Local Bar Association, MFA program survey re: Proposed State Bar filing fee increase

Response #	Jurisdiction	1. If the State Bar were to increase filing fees for its Mandatory Fee Arbitration Program, do you think your program would be impacted in any way? Explain how you think your program would be impacted:	2. Do you support the proposed tiered approach to the cap on the maximum fee? Explain:	3. If you are opposed to the State Bar increasing filing fees for the program as contemplated, what alternatives should the State Bar consider to increase revenues for the program to support operating costs?
1	Long Beach	No	Yes	-
2	Los Angeles County	Yes No one with high amounts in dispute will use the State Bar Program. This may lead to greater traffic for ACMA's or it may sour the parties to not use the MFA at all. It will, regardless, have an impact without our program having a say in the impact created.	No MFA is legislation designed to be speedy and COST EFFECTIVE not a money maker for the Bar, which is, by LAW, tasked with administering the program. The local bar associations only are delegated the authority by the Bar to administer the program on a local basis.	That is not relevant. The MFA is legislatively mandated program. Revenue generation is NOT relevant. The Bar should, as always, decrease the expenditures it makes not decrease the ability of people to get licensed (in order to increase revenue) or ignoring the mission of the MFA (again, in order to increase revenue)
3	Monterey County	No	Neutral	-
4	Orange County	No	Neutral	-
5	San Diego County	Yes Increase our revenues & keep the program running	Yes	-
6	San Gabriel	No	Neutral	-
7	Santa Clara County	No	Yes	-
8	Santa Monica	No	Neutral	-
9	Sonoma County	Yes We earn very little by way of filing fees, compared to our other programs, and compared to the amount of time is spent administering the program.	Yes	-

