



RETAIL AND RESTAURANT

Get To Know the National Retail and Restaurant Defense Association

The country's premier association dedicated to advancing the interests of legal and claims experts working in tandem with professionals in the retail and restaurant industries

Who We Are



NRRDA is the premier, non-profit networking association for retail and restaurant legal and claims defense professionals. We fulfill our mission of advancing and protecting the interests of the retail and restaurant industry by providing members with opportunities to share insight and expertise that allows them to mount effective defense strategies against claims and litigation. Started by seven founding members in 2007, NRRDA remains committed to advancing the interests of our members and the retail and restaurant defense industries. NRRDA members adhere to a unique policy that prohibits unsolicited marketing overtures to members by other members through email or at NRRDA functions.

Membership Categories



NRRDA offers three membership types that allow each member relevant opportunities for involvement and that contribute to professional growth.

Membership is open to qualified professionals engaged in the defense of the retail and restaurant industries: attorneys; in-house counsel; risk and human resource professionals; claims and litigation managers employed by a retail or restaurant company or organization, insurance company, third party administrator, claims adjustment company, forensic consultants, or structure settlement company.

Industry Members

Our industry members are employed by a retail or restaurant company or organization, insurance company, or are in-house counsel. Industry **Membership is FREE.** Representative industry member companies include Darden, Gap, Target, Cheesecake Factory.

Vendor Members

Our vendor members are responsible for the investigation and defense of claims filed against a retail or restaurant entity and include field adjusters, expert claims adjusters, forensic consultants or employees of settlement companies. Vendor Membership is \$425 annually.

Attorney Members

Our attorney members defend retail and restaurant companies or those affiliated with the industries. Membership criteria for attorney members is selective and requires an application process. Attorney Membership is \$575 annually.

Member Benefits



By joining NRRDA, members have the unique opportunity to participate in diverse events throughout the year designed for thought leadership and the exchange of ideas with like-minded, expert professionals in the retail and restaurant industries. In addition to opportunities that benefit all members, we also offer special benefits based on membership type.

Education



- Earn CE and CLE credits at NRRDA's Annual Conference and Lighthouse Seminar that focus on important industry topics.
- Receive quarterly member e-newsletters containing original, expert articles submitted by members, industry resources and member profiles.
- **INDUSTRY MEMBERS ONLY:** Quarterly webinars led by NRRDA industry experts that provide opportunity for industry-only discussion on timely retail and restaurant topics, ideas exchange and best practices.

Meetings and Networking



- Annual Conference (early spring) and Lighthouse Seminar (fall) where all member types come together to learn from one another. Special breakout sessions focus on innovative risk management and litigation topics, industry trends, best practices. Expert keynote speakers provide insightful perspectives to members.
- Scholarship opportunities for Industry Members to cover annual conference attendance and travel costs
- Sponsorship opportunities for member companies at meetings and events designed to increase company visibility and increase networking opportunities
- Networking events and social receptions during Annual Conference, all-member reception following summer NRRDA Board of Directors meeting, **INDUSTRY-ONLY** breakfast at Annual Conference.
- Access to nationwide membership database, industry resources and resource archive via NRRDA.org
- Participation in NRRDA's members-only LinkedIn group, Twitter and Facebook

Leadership Opportunities



- As a member of NRRDA, attorneys, vendors and industry members have many opportunities to get involved and demonstrate their leadership:
 - Join one of our many volunteer committees
 - Lead an Industry-only webinar
 - Contribute articles to our newsletter or thought leadership via LinkedIn
 - Serve as a speaker at one of our events
 - Mentor a NRRDA associate attorney member

NRRDA is a dynamic and growing association dependent on members' participation and leadership to allow it to remain cutting edge and an important industry resource.

READY TO BECOME A NRRDA MEMBER?

Apply via our website at nrrda.org, email questions to info@nrrda.org or call Deb Ryan at 847-647-7500.