

**Table 2**  
**The State Bar Separates Its Finances Into Funds With Different Purposes**

FUND	DESCRIPTION
General Fund	Accounts for resources that are generally available for State Bar purposes, subject to budget priorities set by the Board.
Admissions Fund	Accounts for fees and expenses related to administering the bar examination and other requirements for the admission to the practice of law in the State of California.
Grant Fund	Used to account for the various grants received and special projects undertaken by the State Bar.
Client Security Fund	Maintains funds from which licensees' clients can be reimbursed for pecuniary losses resulting from dishonest conduct on the part of their attorneys.
Elimination of Bias Fund	Supports certain programs and activities to enhance access, fairness, and diversity in the legal profession and elimination of bias in the practice of law.
Equal Access Fund	Consists of grants administered by the State Bar's Legal Services Trust Fund Commission to provide free legal services in civil matters for indigent Californians.
Justice Gap Fund	Used to help close the justice gap for Californians who have a need for services by voluntary donations to legal aid.
Lawyers Assistance Program Fund	Established for the protection of the public, the courts and the legal profession by providing education, remedial, and rehabilitative programs to those licensees of the State Bar who are in need of assistance as a result of disability related to substance abuse or mental illness.
Legislative Activities Fund	Funds the Government Affairs Office to lobby the Legislature regarding agency policies, budgetary items, and legislative priorities.
Legal Services Trust Fund	Used to expand the availability and improve the quality of existing free legal services in civil matters to indigent persons and to initiate new programs that would provide such services. Under this program, interest earned on certain client trust accounts held by California attorneys is legally required to be forwarded to the State Bar and, after deduction of the State Bar's administrative costs, the remainder is to be distributed as grants.
Legal Specialization Fund	Accounts for the certification of legal specialists in areas of family law, criminal law, taxation law, immigration and nationality law, workers' compensation law, personal and small business bankruptcy law, estate planning, trust and probate law, and appellate law.
Bank Settlement Fund	Established to track future grant distribution activities from a \$44.8 million bank settlement grant award as a result of a settlement between the U.S. Department of Justice and Bank of America.

Source: The State Bar's 2023 audited financial statements and the State Bar's website.