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I am no fan of the unified Bar to begin with and regret that Taylor v Buchanan was not decided with the opposite and better result last summer. However, the result is not surprising, given that the entrenched oligarchical monopoly that includes the federal judges is unlikely to voluntarily allow any diminution of its power.

That said, would it be too much to expect a carve-out at some reduced rate for those of us who don't wish to give up the status, but not actively practice? As it is, by the time I pay the section dues for those in which I wish to participate, I'm currently about \$500.00 into this state's scheme.

Indiana, where I am also licensed, has an enlightened category for me (Inactive in Good Standing), with NO fee for that status, and the ability to opt into active practice by notice and paying the fee for the category in which I would fit. Plus, they have an overall nuanced scheme of various rates - but here's the kicker - the absolute highest rate is \$304.00.