

Resolution Honoring Michael J. Guarino

Whereas Michael J. Guarino has been a licensed Texas attorney since October 22, 1974,

Whereas Mr. Guarino has earned a reputation as an outstanding trial lawyer, specializing in criminal law, personal injury, debt collections, and general litigation,

Whereas Mr. Guarino has demonstrated his commitment to public service by serving the great citizens of Galveston as the elected Criminal District Attorney of Galveston for 20 years from 1983-2003,

Whereas Mr. Guarino has shown his dedication to the Galveston community through his leadership and active participation in many civic and community organizations, including the Gulf Coast Big Brothers Big Sisters, the United Way of Galveston, and Rotary Club of Galveston,

Whereas Mr. Guarino regularly assists individuals in need, especially those who have served our nation in the U.S. Armed Forces, through his volunteer efforts at the Veterans Legal Clinics sponsored by the Galveston County Bar Association,

Whereas Mr. Guarino's devotion to helping others has increased access to justice by extending his legal services beyond those who can pay through his pro bono work representing veterans in Galveston County,

Whereas the State Bar of Texas also commends and supports the efforts of the members of the Galveston County Bar Association to ensure that their colleague and friend is honored for his devoted leadership to his community and dedication to helping others,

Be It Therefore Resolved that the State Bar of Texas honors Michael J. Guarino with this resolution for his remarkable legal career and commitment to helping individuals in need.

Resolution Adopted this 25th day of January 2013 by the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors in Galveston, Texas.

Whereas, Kelley Jones King, a graduate of Baylor University with a Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Service and Business, is an accomplished communications and Bar executive of the highest caliber; and

Whereas, she devoted considerable skills, talents, intelligence, and energy in service to the State Bar of Texas for 29 years; and

Whereas, she served as managing editor of the Texas Bar Journal, communications division director, deputy director of communications and presidential initiatives, and deputy executive director for the State Bar of Texas; and

Whereas, she provided superior leadership, vision, and inspiration guiding State Bar leaders, staff, and Texas attorneys; and

Whereas, she was looked to as a national leader in the National Association of Bar Executives Communications Section, of which she served as chair and from which received the section's highest honor, the E.A. "Wally" Richter Leadership Award; and

Whereas, she has been recognized with numerous State Bar of Texas Presidential Citations for her creative and strategic guidance to the Bar's leaders; and

Whereas, she has served as a mentor, role model, and friend to countless leaders, earning the respect and admiration of her colleagues and coworkers;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved on the occasion of her retirement, that the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas gratefully acknowledge Kelley Jones King for her many contributions to members of the State Bar, to the profession, and to the public and extends its heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the difference she has made to so many lives throughout the years.

Adopted, this 25th Day of January, 2013, by the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas in open meeting in Galveston, Texas.

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