STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Texas Young Lawyers Association (TYLA) Members: Attorney Statistical Profile (2009-10)

This report profiles active State Bar of Texas attorney members with membership in the Texas Young Lawyers Association (TYLA) as of December 31, 2009, roughly the midpoint of the Bar's fiscal year. Numbers and percents are given by key demographic variables including gender, race/ethnicity, years licensed in any jurisdiction, graduating law school, primary occupation, law firm size, section membership, and board certification.

	TYLA Members 2009-10 N = 24,225		All State Bar Attorneys 2009-10 N = 85,813	
Gender				
Male	12,917	54%	57,691	68%
Female	10,934	46%	27,501	32%
Race				
Caucasian/Anglo	16,792	75%	67,867	84%
African-American/Black	1,364	6%	3,627	4%
Hispanic/Latino	2,473	11%	6,074	8%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1,232	5%	1,908	2%
Native American Indian	82	<1%	254	<1%
Two or More Races	134	1%	140	<1%
Other Race	456	2%	975	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	7,976	33%	7,986	9%
3 to 6 years	10,134	42%	10,335	12%
7 to 10 years	5,247	22%	9,249	11%
11 to 15 years	862	4%	11,243	13%
16 to 20 years	1	<1%	10,911	13%
21 to 25 years	1	<1%	9,522	11%
Over 25 years	1	<1%	26,567	31%
Median Years Licensed	4 Years		18 Years	
Age				
21 to 25 years	208	1%	208	<1%
26 to 30 years	7,345	30%	7,350	9%
31 to 35 years	10,115	42%	10,116	12%
36 to 40 years	5,116	21%	10,793	13%
41 to 45 years	704	3%	10,169	12%
46 to 50 years	335	1%	10,395	12%
51 to 55 years	232	1%	10,748	13%
56 to 60 years	115	<1%	9,971	12%
61 to 65 years	32	<1%	7,409	9%
More than 65 years	12	<1%	8,643	10%
Median Age	33 Years		48 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**				
TYLA Member	24,225	100%	24,225	28%
Senior Member	0	0%	61,588	72%

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	TYLA Members		All State Bar Attorneys	
	2009-10		2009-10	
	N = 24,225		N = 85,813	
Law School Attended				
Baylor University	1,344	6%	5,332	6%
St. Mary's	1,708	7%	6,249	7%
South Texas	2,801	12%	9,461	11%
Southern Methodist	2,079	9%	7,184	8%
Texas Southern	955	4%	2,679	3%
Texas Tech	1,824	8%	5,504	6%
Texas Wesleyan	1,253	5%	2,206	3%
University of Houston	2,360	10%	9,147	11%
University of Texas	3,458	14%	15,781	18%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	6,443	27%	22,270	26%
Primary Occupation				
Private Law Practice	12,010	70%	50,994	67%
Government Attorney	2,519	15%	8,263	11%
Full-Time Judge	22	<1%	1,610	2%
Law Faculty	65	<1%	518	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	1,344	8%	7,557	10%
Other Law Related	618	4%	2,228	3%
Other Non-Law Related	356	2%	2,121	3%
Retired-Not Working	12	<1%	1,785	2%
Unemployed-Looking	237	1%	497	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	70	<1%	501	1%
Firm Size (private practitioners only)				
Solo Practitioners	2,266	15%	17,453	36%
2 to 5 attorneys	3,451	23%	11,621	24%
6 to 10 attorneys	1,448	10%	3,739	8%
11 to 24 attorneys	1,763	12%	4,120	8%
25 to 40 attorneys	897	6%	1,941	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	544	4%	1,077	2%
61 to 100 attorneys	1,083	7%	3,030	6%
101 to 200 attorneys	498	3%	811	2%
Over 200 attorneys	2,772	19%	4,926	10%
Median Firm Size	14 Attorneys		5 Attorneys	
Members of State Bar Sections				
Section Members	7,543	31%	35,219	41%
Non Section Members	16,682	69%	50,594	59%
Members of One Section	4,536	19%	18,288	21%
Members of Two Sections	2,098	9%	9,917	12%
Members of Three Sections	616	3%	4,133	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	293	1%	2,881	3%

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Section Membership				
Administrative and Public Law	193	1%	1,119	1%
African-American Lawyers	126	1%	390	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	84	<1%	1,135	1%
American Indian Law	19	<1%	111	<1%
Animal Law	74	<1%	317	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	145	1%	1,097	1%
Appellate	326	1%	1,750	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	101	<1%	238	<1%
Aviation Law	29	<1%	248	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	328	1%	1,418	2%
Business Law	723	3%	3,897	5%
Computer and Technology	110	<1%	774	1%
Construction Law	414	2%	2,051	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	163	1%	1,326	2%
Corporate Counsel	598	2%	3,159	4%
Criminal Justice	578	2%	2,621	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	147	1%	523	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	259	1%	1,312	2%
Family Law	890	4%	4,944	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	302	1%	1,977	2%
Government Lawyers	146	1%	817	1%
Health Law	253	1%	1,292	2%
Hispanic Issues	89	<1%	373	<1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	31	<1%	218	<1%
Insurance Law	243	1%	1,588	2%
Intellectual Property Law	530	2%	2,084	2%
International Law	152	1%	847	1%
James C. Watson Inn	1	<1%	155	<1%
Judicial Law	11	<1%	1,034	1%
Justice of the Peace	7	<1%	62	<1%
Juvenile Law	116	<1%	807	1%
Labor and Employment Law	512	2%	2,766	3%
Litigation	1,357	6%	7,477	9%
Military law	69	<1%	289	<1%
Municipal Judges	15	<1%	292	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	664	3%	3,007	4%
Poverty Law	146	1%	429	<1%
Public Utility Law	87	<1%	438	1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,142	5%	7,184	8%
School Law	140	1%	625	1%
Sexual Orientation & Gender Identification Issues	49	<1%	213	<1%
Taxation	390	2%	1,870	2%
Women and the Law	103	<1%	440	1%
Workers' Compensation	48	<1%	267	<1%

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Attorneys can have multiple board certifications, therefore the percents do not sum to 100%	TYLA Members 2009-10 N = 24,225		All State Bar Attorneys 2009-10 N = 85,813	
Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	230	1%	7,116	8%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	23,995	99%	78,697	92%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	224	1%	5,995	7%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	5	<1%	994	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	1	<1%	127	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:				
Administrative Law	1	<1%	154	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	3	<1%	157	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	4	<1%	149	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	9	<1%	422	<1%
Civil Trial Law	1	<1%	1,117	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	1	<1%	69	<1%
Criminal Law	32	<1%	856	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	26	<1%	671	1%
Family Law	17	<1%	715	1%
Health Law	1	<1%	53	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	19	<1%	121	<1%
Juvenile Law	3	<1%	68	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	43	<1%	578	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	9	<1%	267	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	31	<1%	1,696	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	19	<1%	513	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	2	<1%	104	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	8	<1%	331	<1%
Tax Law	5	<1%	229	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	3	<1%	104	<1%

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Footnotes

* Based on year first licensed in any jurisdiction.

** Texas Young Lawyers Association membership is automatic for attorneys less than 37 years of age and for attorneys of any age who have been licensed for less than four years.

General Notes

All data represent active attorney Bar members in good standing. Some figures are estimates as not all demographic data is known for all attorneys; individual data items will not sum to the column headers in these instances. Percentages may not sum to one hundred due to rounding. Note that this profile only includes those attorneys who were active and in good standing as of December 31, 2009.