STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Texas Young Lawyers Association (TYLA) Members: Attorney Statistical Profile (2008-09)

This report profiles active State Bar of Texas attorney members with membership in the Texas Young Lawyers Association (TYLA) as of December 31, 2008, 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 2008-09 N = 23,802		All State Bar Attorneys 2008-09 N = 83,713	
Gender				
Male	12,682	54%	56,562	68%
Female	10,712	46%	26,508	32%
Race				
Caucasian/Anglo	16,478	75%	66,361	84%
African-American/Black	1,305	6%	3,435	4%
Hispanic/Latino	2,413	11%	5,801	7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1,122	5%	1,712	2%
Native American Indian	83	<1%	246	<1%
Two or More Races	54	<1%	55	<1%
Other Race	516	2%	1003	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	7,980	34%	7,997	10%
3 to 6 years	9,582	40%	9,763	12%
7 to 10 years	5,347	22%	9,316	11%
11 to 15 years	883	4%	11,322	14%
16 to 20 years	1	<1%	10,474	13%
21 to 25 years	0	0%	9,499	11%
Over 25 years	1	<1%	25,333	30%
Median Years Licensed	5 Years		18 Years	
Age				
21 to 25 years	196	1%	196	<1%
26 to 30 years	7,193	30%	7,196	9%
31 to 35 years	9,689	41%	9,689	12%
36 to 40 years	5,251	22%	10,897	13%
41 to 45 years	704	3%	9,924	12%
46 to 50 years	364	2%	10,510	13%
51 to 55 years	238	1%	10,796	13%
56 to 60 years	118	<1%	9,635	12%
61 to 65 years	35	<1%	6,877	8%
More than 65 years	6	<1%	7,969	10%
Median Age	33 Years		48 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**				
TYLA Member	23,802	100%	23,802	28%
Senior Member	0	0%	59,911	72%

Texas Young Lawyers Association (TYLA): Attorney Statistical Profile (2008-09)

	TYLA Members		All State Bar Attorneys	
	2008-09		2008-09	
	N = 23,802		N = 83,713	
Law School Attended				
Baylor University	1,347	6%	5,264	6%
St. Mary's	1,728	7%	6,135	7%
South Texas	2,721	11%	9,183	11%
Southern Methodist	1,994	8%	6,987	8%
Texas Southern	925	4%	2,566	3%
Texas Tech	1,807	8%	5,353	6%
Texas Wesleyan	1,184	5%	2,031	2%
University of Houston	2,363	10%	8,978	11%
University of Texas	3,532	15%	14,515	17%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	6,201	26%	22,701	27%
Primary Occupation				
Private Law Practice	12,441	70%	50,346	67%
Government Attorney	2,562	14%	8,134	11%
Full-Time Judge	25	<1%	1,586	2%
Law Faculty	71	<1%	529	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	1,434	8%	7,454	10%
Other Law Related	594	3%	2,173	3%
Other Non-Law Related	324	2%	2,065	3%
Retired-Not Working	16	<1%	1,772	2%
Unemployed-Looking	159	1%	378	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	77	<1%	475	1%
Firm Size (private practitioners only)				
Solo Practitioners	1,880	17%	17,074	35%
2 to 5 attorneys	2,758	25%	11,370	24%
6 to 10 attorneys	1,018	9%	3,656	8%
11 to 24 attorneys	1,275	11%	4,065	8%
25 to 40 attorneys	640	6%	1,967	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	332	3%	1,053	2%
Over 60 / 61 to 100 attorneys	853	8%	3,293	7%
101 to 200 attorneys	337	3%	861	2%
Over 200 attorneys	2,086	19%	4,850	10%
Median Firm Size	11 attorneys		4 attorneys	
Members of State Bar Sections				
Section Members	7,468	31%	34,109	41%
Non Section Members	16,334	69%	49,604	59%
Members of One Section	4,410	19%	17,229	21%
Members of Two Sections	2,119	9%	9,786	12%
Members of Three Sections	617	3%	4,049	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	322	1%	3,045	4%

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Section Membership				
Administrative and Public Law	179	1%	1,134	1%
African-American Lawyers	141	1%	406	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	87	<1%	1,163	1%
American Indian Law	20	<1%	118	<1%
Animal Law	63	<1%	284	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	161	1%	1,114	1%
Appellate	357	1%	1,769	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	91	<1%	223	<1%
Aviation Law	36	<1%	248	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	282	1%	1,328	2%
Business Law	755	3%	4,023	5%
Computer and Technology	123	1%	796	1%
Construction Law	414	2%	2,014	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	178	1%	1,351	2%
Corporate Counsel	623	3%	3,188	4%
Criminal Justice	551	2%	2,502	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	139	1%	514	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	267	1%	1,371	2%
Family Law	887	4%	4,892	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	307	1%	1,984	2%
Government Lawyers	127	1%	786	1%
Health Law	249	1%	1,249	1%
Hispanic Issues	124	1%	432	1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	29	<1%	214	<1%
Insurance Law	263	1%	1,574	2%
Intellectual Property Law	537	2%	2,054	2%
International Law	176	1%	909	1%
James C. Watson Inn	1	<1%	158	<1%
Judicial Law	1	<1%	37	<1%
Justice of the Peace	8	<1%	64	<1%
Juvenile Law	135	1%	829	1%
Labor and Employment Law	570	2%	2,833	3%
Litigation	1,483	6%	7,752	9%
Military law	57	<1%	282	<1%
Municipal Judges	8	<1%	242	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	609	3%	2,915	3%
Poverty Law	163	1%	440	1%
Public Utility Law	85	<1%	445	1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,229	5%	7,320	9%
School Law	128	1%	615	1%
Sexual Orientation & Gender Identification Issues	36	<1%	183	<1%
Taxation	386	2%	1,884	2%
Women and the Law	116	<1%	446	1%
Workers' Compensation	48	<1%	234	<1%

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Attorneys can have multiple board certifications, therefore the percents do not sum to 100%	TYLA Members 2008-09 N = 23,802		All State Bar Attorneys 2008-09 N = 83,713	
Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	194	1%	6,995	8%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	23,608	99%	76,718	92%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	186	1%	5,865	7%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	7	<1%	1,004	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	1	<1%	126	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:				
Administrative Law	1	<1%	157	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	3	<1%	159	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	4	<1%	153	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	7	<1%	405	<1%
Civil Trial Law	0	<1%	1,140	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	0	<1%	68	<1%
Criminal Law	24	<1%	834	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	27	<1%	650	1%
Family Law	14	<1%	706	1%
Health Law	3	<1%	50	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	17	<1%	110	<1%
Juvenile Law	1	<1%	62	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	42	<1%	550	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	6	<1%	263	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	23	<1%	1,703	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	9	<1%	499	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	2	<1%	99	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	7	<1%	329	<1%
Tax Law	4	<1%	227	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	9	<1%	98	<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, 2008.