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FILE # RQ-0265-KP
I.D. # 48503

Re: Constitutionality of State of Texas governance (RQ-0265-KP)

Dear Attorney General Paxton:

I write on behalf of the Texas Access to Justice Commission (TAJC) in regard to President Joe K. Longley's request for an opinion regarding the Texas Young Lawyer Association (TYLA).

We do not take any position on President Longley's enumerated questions 1 – 6 as such questions are beyond the purview of the TAJC.

The TAJC was created by the Supreme Court of Texas to improve the quality of legal services and access to justice for those who cannot afford legal representation. It is funded by the State Bar.

Knowing of President Longley's long support of improving and properly regulating access to justice, I contacted him to be sure he was not requesting an opinion beyond the enumerated questions 1 – 6 that would implicate the work of the TAJC.

President Longley assured me that he was not and that he considers TAJC's activities to be proper activities for the State Bar.



If you should deem it relevant, we would be pleased to furnish detailed information on the work of the TAJC in regulating and improving the quality of efforts to increase access to justice in Texas.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Harry Reasoner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Harry M. Reasoner
Chair

Texas Access to Justice Commission

cc: President Joe K. Longley

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