

AGENDA
STATE BAR OF TEXAS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Texas Law Center – Stewart Morris Board Room
1414 Colorado St.
Austin, TX 78701
Thursday, September 4, 2014 – 10:30am

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1. **Call to Order** Trey Apffel
2. **Roll Call** Michelle Hunter
3. **Remarks from the General Public**
(Sign in sheet available)
4. **Action:** Consider approval of Minutes of the April 3, 2014 Executive Committee Meeting Trey Apffel (Encl)
5. **Report from the President** Trey Apffel
 - A. Discussion:**
 - 1) General Report
 - 2) Update on Presidential Initiatives
 - 3) Update on Immigration Pro Bono Efforts
 - B. Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve ratification of the Ad Hoc Submission Committee's approval of Bankruptcy Law Section request to file an amicus brief in *Baker Botts, L.L.P. v. ASARCO, LLC* pursuant to Policy Manual Section 8.02.04(C) (Encl)
6. **Report from the Chair of the Board** Roger Key
Discussion: General Report
7. **Report from the President-elect** Allan DuBois
Discussion:

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- 1) General Report
- 2) FY 2015-2016 Budget Update
- 3) Committee Review Task Force

(Encl)

8. **Report from the Immediate Past President**
Discussion: General Report

Lisa M. Tatum

9. **Administration Committee**
Discussion: General Report

Laura Gibson

10. **Audit & Finance Committee**
Discussion: Financial Reports & General Review of
Financial Statements

Tom Riney

(Encl)

11. **Executive Committee**
A. Nominations & Elections Subcommittee
Discussion: General Report

Lisa M. Tatum/Cindy Tisdale

B. Policy Manual Subcommittee

Diane DeVasto

- Action:** Consider, discuss and approve revisions to the following provisions of the Board Policy Manual
- 1) Section 3.06 regarding internal purchasing policies
 - 2) Sections 3.07.01 and 3.07.02 regarding reimbursement of Board members
 - 3) Sections 4.04.16, 5.01.08 and 5.04.06 regarding contracts for goods and services for State Bar sections, divisions and committees

12. **Discipline & Client Attorney Assistance Committee**
Discussion: DCAAP and Client Security Fund
Subcommittees

Larry McDougal

13. **Member Services & Education Committee**
Discussion: Appeals-Grant Review, New Directors
Orientation, Professional Development, Insurance/Member
Benefits, and Technology Oversight Subcommittees

A. Appeals-Grant Review Subcommittee
Discussion: General Report

Scott Rothenberg

B. Professional Development Subcommittee
Discussion: General Report

Gary Nickelson

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C. Insurance/Member Benefits Subcommittee

David Chamberlain

Discussion: General Report

14. **Public Services & Education Committee**

Discussion: Affordable Legal Services and Legislative Policy Subcommittees

A. **Legislative Policy Subcommittee**

Jaime Balli

Discussion: General Report

15. **MCLE Committee**

Jason Honeycutt

(Encl)

Action: Consider and discuss approval of proposed changes to State Bar Rules and MCLE Regulations concerning elimination of the MCLE age exemption

16. **Discussion:** Supreme Court Liaison

Justice Phil Johnson

17. **Discussion:** TYLA Update

Rebekah Steely Brooker

18. **Discussion:** Report from the Executive Director

Michelle Hunter

19. **Discussion:** Report from the Legal Counsel

John Sirman

A. Closed Session as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel concerning pending litigation, including *Citizens Against The Bar, Jamar Osborne, and Mikal Osborne v. Travis County, Julia E. Vaughn, and Buck Files* (1:13-cv-00528-LY, U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas) and *John V. McShane v. Mary L. Greiner* (DC-13-07712, 298th District Court of Dallas)

B. End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session

20. **Adjournment**

If during the course of the meeting covered by this notice the board should determine that a closed or executive session of the board should be held or is required in relation to an item noticed in this meeting notice, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Open Meetings Act will be held by the board at the date, hour, and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071-551.084 of the Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to:

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Section 551.071 – For the purpose of a private consultation with the board’s attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.

Section 551.072 – For the purpose of deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

Section 551.074 – For the purpose of deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

The board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda. Agenda items may be taken out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the board and/or to aid in the effectiveness of the meeting.

Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the board with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive meeting or session, then such final action, final decision, or final vote shall be at either:

- a. the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of this public meeting, or
- b. at a subsequent public meeting of the board upon notice thereof, as the board shall determine.

[* Comments from the public may be taken throughout the Board meeting.]

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