

**Consent Agenda**  
**Board of Directors**  
**April 15, 2016**  
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**C1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- (Minutes Tab)
- a. Approval of minutes of Board meetings conducted on *January 22, 2016*
  - b. Ratification of actions taken at the following Executive Committee meetings:
    - 1) *March 10, 2016*: Approved minutes of the January 7, 2016 Executive Committee meeting

**C2. ITEMS FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

Approval of appointments to the following entities:

a. **2016-2017 Special Committee to Nominate ABA Delegates:**

Trey Apffel, Chair (League City)

Kim Askew (Dallas)  
Rhonda Hunter (Dallas)  
Janna Clarke (Fort Worth)  
Carl Robin Teague (San Antonio)

Jennifer Rymell (Fort Worth)  
Elizabeth Lang Miers (Dallas)  
Eduardo Roberto Rodriguez (Brownsville)  
Laura Sharp (Austin)

b. **Commission for Lawyer Discipline:**

- 1) for one-year terms effective September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017:

Chair: John Neal (Austin)  
Vice Chair: Pablo Almaguer (McAllen)

- 2) for three-year terms effective September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2019:

John Neal (Austin)  
Bruce Ashworth (Arlington)

c. **Law Focused Education, Inc.**, for two-year terms effective June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2018:

Dana Grieb (Rockwall)  
Daniel Hu (Houston)  
Juliana Stibbe (The Woodlands)  
Wendy Humphrey (Lubbock)

d. **Texas Center for Legal Ethics**, for three year terms effective June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2019:

Susan Cuellar (Dallas)  
J.B. Whittenburg (Beaumont)  
Beverly Godbey (Dallas)

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**C3. ITEMS FROM THE PRESIDENT-ELECT:**

- (Handout) a. Approval of State Bar Committees, Chairs, Co-Chairs, Vice Chairs, Co- Vice Chairs, and members to serve during the year 2016-17 per State Bar Rules, Art. VIII, Section 1B
- b. **Texas Bar Foundation Board of Trustees**, for one year term effective June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017:
- Board Liaison:  
**Sylvia Firth (El Paso)**

**C4. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEES AND SECTIONS/DIVISIONS:**

- (Yellow Tab A) a. Approval of request by the Litigation Section to amend its bylaws
- (Yellow Tab B) b. Approval of request by the Immigration and Nationality Law Section to amend its bylaws
- (Yellow Tab C) c. Approval of request by the Juvenile Law Section to amend its bylaws
- d. Approval of request by the Public Utility Law Section to increase dues to \$20
- e. Approval of request by the GP Solo and Small Firm Section to increase dues to \$25

**C5. OTHER ITEMS**

- (Yellow Tab D) a. Approval of recipients for the pro bono and indigent defense awards to be presented at the Annual Meeting:
- 1) Pro Bono Award: **Refuge and Immigrant Center for Education & Legal Services (RAICES), San Antonio**
  - 2) Frank J. Scurlock Award: **Charles L. Kessi**
  - 3) The J. Chrys Dougherty Legal Services Award: **Efren C. Olivares**
  - 4) W. Frank Newton Award: **Baker Botts, L.L.P, Houston, Dallas and Austin**
  - 5) Pro Bono Coordinator Award: **Jan Kearney**
  - 6) Judge Merrill Hartman Pro Bono Judge Award: **Judge Marc C. Carter**
  - 7) Warren Burnett Award: **Betty Blackwell**
  - 8) Michael K. Moore Award for Excellence in Research or Writing in the Area of Indigent Criminal Defense: **Jeff Blackburn**
- (Yellow Tab E) b. Approval of creation of Pro Bono Staff Support Award from the Legal Services to the Poor in Civil Matters Committee
- (Yellow Tab F) c. Approval of resolutions honoring:
- 1) **Mandy K. McCary (Marble Falls)**