

AGENDA
STATE BAR OF TEXAS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Texas Law Center – Stewart Morris Board Room
1414 Colorado St.
Austin, TX 78701
Thursday, March 9, 2017 – 10:30am

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1. **Call to Order** Frank Stevenson
2. **Roll Call** Michelle Hunter
3. **Remarks from the General Public***
(Sign in sheet available for public comment)
4. **Action:** Consider approval of Minutes of the January 10, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting Frank Stevenson (Encl)
5. **Report from the President** Frank Stevenson
A. Discussion:
 - 1) General Report
 - 2) Update on Presidential Initiatives
6. **Report from the Chair of the Board** Joe Escobedo, Jr.
Discussion: General Report

A. Ad Hoc Submission Committee (Encl)
Action: Consider, discuss, and approve decision not to approve IP Section amicus request
7. **Report from the President-Elect** Tom Vick
A. Discussion:
 - 1) General Report
 - 2) Update on Executive Director Search
B. Budget Committee (Encl)
Action: Consider and discuss approval of SBOT 2017-18 proposed budget for presentation to the Supreme Court

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C. Committee Review Task Force

Action: Consider, discuss, and approve the task force recommendations pertaining to standing committees

(Encl)

8. **Report from the Immediate Past President** Allan DuBois
Discussion: General Report
9. **Administration Committee** Pat Maher
Discussion: General Report
10. **Audit & Finance Committee** Barbara Bass (Encl)
Discussion: Financial Reports & General Review of Financial Statements
11. **Executive Committee**
A. Nominations & Elections Subcommittee Allan Dubois/David Chamberlain (Encl)
Discussion: Update on President-elect Candidates and District Elections
12. **Discipline & Client Attorney Assistance** Tina Green
Discussion: DCAAP and Client Security Fund Subcommittees
13. **MCLE Committee** Nathan Anderson (Encl)
Action: Consider, discuss, and approve changes to Article XII State Bar Rules and MCLE Regulations
14. **Member Services & Education Committee**
Discussion: Appeals-Grant Review, New Directors Orientation, Professional Development, and Technology Oversight Subcommittees
- A. Professional Development Subcommittee** Joe Indelicato, Jr.
Discussion: General Report
- B. Insurance/Member Benefits Subcommittee** John Jansonius
Discussion: General Report
15. **Public Services & Education Committee**
Discussion: Legislative Policy Subcommittee
- A. Legislative Policy Subcommittee** Gary Nickelson
Action: Consider, discuss, and approve additions

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or changes to the SBOT Legislative Program and recommendations of the Subcommittee, if any

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| 16. Section Representatives to the Board Committee Discussion: General Report | Pat Maher |
| 17. Discussion: Supreme Court Liaison | Justice Phil Johnson |
| 18. Discussion: TYLA Update | Sam Houston |
| 19. Discussion: Report from the Executive Director | Michelle Hunter |
| 20. 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 regarding pending litigation (Gegenheimer v. Stevenson et al., Longley v. State Bar of Texas et al.) and Section 551.074 to deliberate regarding a personnel matter (executive director’s retirement)

B. End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session

C. Action, if needed, on items discussed in closed session

21. **ADJOURN**

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the Board should determine that a closed session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this notice, then such closed session as authorized by Texas Open Meetings Act (Tex. Govt. Code Ch. 551) will be held by the Board at that 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 session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071 – 551.084, inclusive, of the Texas Open Meetings Act. The board reserves the right to take action in open session on any item discussed in closed session.

Items on the agenda will not necessarily be discussed or considered in the order they are printed on the agenda above. Comments from the public may be taken throughout the Board meeting.

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