

**Agenda**  
**STATE BAR OF TEXAS**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Overton Hotel- Sunset AB**  
**2322 Mac Davis Lane**  
**Lubbock, TX 79401**  
**Friday, September 22, 2017 – 9:00am**

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| 1. <b>Call to Order</b>   | Rehan Alimohammad    |                  |
| 2. <b>Roll Call</b>   | John Sirman          |                  |
| 3. <b>Invocation</b>  | Philip Mack Furlow   |                  |
| 4. <b>Pledge to the U.S. and Texas Flags</b>  | Nicole Voyles        |                  |
| 5. <b>Remarks from the General Public*</b><br><i>(Sign in sheet available for public comment)</i>   |                      |                  |
| 6. <b>Swearing-in of New Board Member</b>   | Justice Phil Johnson |                  |
| 7. <b>Report from the Chair of the Board</b><br><b>A. Action:</b> Consider, discuss, and approve Consent Agenda Items.  | Rehan Alimohammad    | (Consent<br>Tab) |
| <b>B. Discussion:</b> General Report  |                      |                  |
| 8. <b>Report from the President</b><br><b>A. Discussion:</b> General Report   | Tom Vick             |                  |
| <b>B.</b> Update on the appointment of at-large directors   |                      | (Tab 1)          |
| <b>C.</b> Update on State Bar disaster relief efforts<br><b>Action:</b> Consider, discuss, and approve State Bar of Texas donation to the Texas Bar Foundation Hurricane Harvey Disaster Relief Fund. |                      |                  |
| <b>D.</b> Update on Houston CDC   |                      |                  |

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**E. State Commission on Judicial Conduct**

**Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve appointment of Ron Bunch (Waxahachie) to the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, for a term beginning November 20, 2017, and expiring November 19, 2023.

(Tab 2)

**F. Presentation of Resolutions**

**G. Discussion: Closed Session** as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to deliberate for the purpose of discussing recommendations from the Executive Director Selection Committee and Evaluation Subcommittee concerning the appointment, employment, and election of a new executive director, including compensation and other terms of employment

**H. End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session**

**I. Action:** Consider, discuss, appoint, employ, and elect State Bar of Texas executive director upon specified compensation and other terms of employment.

9. **Report from the President-Elect**

Joe K. Longley

**Discussion:**

- 1) General Report
- 2) Update on president-elect task forces
- 3) FY 2018-19 Budget Committee Update

(Tabs 3-9)

(Tab 10)

10. **Report from the Immediate Past President**

Frank Stevenson

**Discussion:** General Report

11. **Executive Committee**

**Nominations and Elections Subcommittee**

Frank Stevenson/Joe Escobedo

**Discussion:** General Report

**Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve recommendation regarding update to State Bar rules on qualifications of directors.

(Tab 11)

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12. **Policy Manual Subcommittee** Philip Mack Furlow (Tab 12)  
**Discussion:** General Report  
**Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve revisions to the State Bar Board Policy Manual concerning at-large directors, board agenda and minutes, appointments by president and president-elect, the president's award, section annual reports, and amicus brief requests.
13. **Administration Committee**  
**A. Performance Measures & Strategic Planning Subcommittee** August Harris (Tab 13)  
**Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve updates to State Bar of Texas performance measures  
**B. Employment, Salary, and Evaluation Subcommittee** Ricky Gonzalez (Tab 14)  
**Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve updates to bylaws of the Texas Center for Legal Ethics.
14. **Audit and Finance Committee** August Harris (Tab 15)  
**Discussion**  
**A.** Financial Reports and General Review of Financial Statements  
**B.** Procurement of Internal Audit Services  
**Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve:  
1) Issuing a request for proposal for internal audit services  
2) Delegation of authority to the Audit and Finance Committee to select and engage internal auditors  
**C.** Investment Overview Barry Baughier/August Harris  
**D. Action:** Consider, discuss, and accept the State Bar's Quarterly Investment Reports for May 2017 and August 2017.  
**E. Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve:  
1) PFM Group, Patterson and Associates, and University of North Texas Center for Public Management as Public Funds Investment Act trainers  
2) The adoption of the PFM Broker/Dealer List for investments

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3) The adoption of the State Bar of Texas investment policy as revised

15. **Member Services and Education Committee**

**A. Appeals-Grants Review Subcommittee**

Rebecca Simmons

(Tab 16)

**Discussion:** General Report

**Action:** Consider, discuss, and approve the subcommittee's recommendations on the following appeals:

- 1) Appeal by Jeff Joyce of MCLE Committee's decision denying accreditation of course for legal ethics/legal professional responsibility
- 2) Appeal by Curtis White of Texas Board of Legal Specialization's decision denying certification in Immigration and Nationality Law

**B. Professional Development Subcommittee**

Gary Nickelson

**Discussion:** General Report

**C. Insurance/Member Benefits Subcommittee**

Scott Rothenberg

**Discussion:** General Report

**D. Technology Oversight Subcommittee**

Andrew Tolchin

**Discussion:** General Report

16. **Commission for Lawyer Discipline /Chief Disciplinary Counsel Update**

Linda Acevedo

(Tab 17)

**Discussion:** General Report

17. **Discipline and Client Attorney Assistance**

**A. Client Security Fund Subcommittee**

Alan Carmichael

**Discussion:** General Report

**B. DCAAP Subcommittee**

Greg Sampson

**Discussion:** General Report

18. **Public Services and Education Committee**

**Affordable Legal Services Subcommittee**

Scott Sherwood

**Discussion:** General Report

19. **Texas Young Lawyers Association**

Baili B. Rhodes

**Discussion:** General Update

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20. **Section Representatives to the Board Committee** Audrey Moorehead  
**Discussion:** General Report
21. **Discussion:** Liaison Reports  
A. Supreme Court Liaison Justice Phil Johnson  
B. Court of Criminal Appeals Liaison Judge Barbara Hervey  
C. Judicial Section Liaison Judge Jennifer Rymell  
D. Federal Judicial Liaison Judge Amos Mazzant  
E. Out of State Lawyer Liaison Tim Mountz
22. **Discussion:** Report from the Interim Executive Director John Sirman
23. **Discussion:** Report from the Office of Legal Counsel Don Jones

**A. Closed Session** as authorized by Texas Government Code, sections 551.071 and 551.074 for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel concerning pending or contemplated litigation, and/or to deliberate concerning personnel matter(s)

**B. End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session**

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

24. **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.

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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