



A Resolution Honoring Judge John H. Fostel

Whereas *John H. Fostel became a licensed Texas attorney in December 1973 after earning his Doctor of Jurisprudence from Texas Tech University,*

Whereas *Mr. Fostel, a gifted trial lawyer, first joined the law firm of W.B. Woodruff in Decatur, Texas, before becoming a partner in the firm Woodruff, Fostel, Wren, and Simpson,*

Whereas *Judge Fostel was first elected to the bench in 1994 and presided over the civil, family, and felony criminal courts of Jack and Wise counties for 23 years,*

Whereas *Judge Fostel served on the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors from 1990 to 1993,*

Whereas *Judge Fostel was honored by the Tarrant County Trial Lawyers Association in 2014 with the Charles J. Murray Outstanding Jurist Award,*

Whereas *Judge Fostel, described as brilliant and compassionate, possessed vast knowledge of the law and was devoted to the fair and efficient administration of justice,*

Whereas *Judge Fostel was a humble man who had a keen sense of humor and an ability to lift the spirits of others,*

Whereas *Judge Fostel was a cherished member of the community who took on leadership roles in many youth sports and civic organizations,*

Whereas *The memorial service to honor Judge Fostel in 2017 was made standing-room-only by the crowd of people that came to remember and honor his life and legacy,*

Be It Therefore Resolved *that the State Bar of Texas honors the memory of Judge John H. Fostel for his service to the State Bar of Texas, his commitment to the legal profession, his fair and firm application of law, his tenacity for the administration of justice, and his unwavering dedication to the people of Jack and Wise counties and the State of Texas entire.*

Resolution Adopted *this 27th day of April 2018 by the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors in Fort Worth, Texas.*

*G. Thomas Vick, Jr., President
State Bar of Texas*

*Joe K. Longley, President-Elect
State Bar of Texas*

*Rehan Alimohammad, Chair of the Board
State Bar of Texas*

witnessed by

*Trey Appfel, Executive Director
State Bar of Texas*



A Resolution Honoring Judge Brent A. Carr

Whereas Brent A. Carr became a licensed Texas attorney in January 1983 after earning his Doctor of Jurisprudence from South Texas College of Law Houston,

Whereas Before attending law school, Mr. Carr served as an artillery officer in the U.S. Marine Corps,

Whereas Judge Carr was first elected to the bench in 1991 with the creation of Tarrant County Criminal Court No. 9 where he has served since,

Whereas Judge Carr is well known for his work to bring specialty court programs to Tarrant County and in addition to his regular duties, oversees the Veterans Court Diversion Program, Mental Health Diversion Program, and the High-risk Women Offender "RISE" Program,

Whereas Judge Carr received Tarrant County Bar Association's Silver Gavel Award in 2014, which is given to a member of the county judiciary who has served for at least 10 years with ability, integrity, and courage,

Whereas Judge Carr was once described by an attorney as a "hero . . . his judicial robe serv(ing) more like a cape" as he assists individuals in the clutches of addiction and disability,

Whereas Judge Carr volunteers for Veterans Coalition of Tarrant County, Mental Health Connection, and Tarrant County Homeless Coalition and has played with his band the Cowtown Music Club at a resource center to bring a little joy to individuals experiencing homelessness,

Whereas Judge Carr actively mentors young attorneys, assisting with their competency and development in the legal profession,

Whereas Judge Carr will serve as the 2018-2019 President of the Eldon B. Mahon Inn of Court, which is dedicated to improving the skills, professionalism and ethics of the bench and bar,

Whereas Judge Carr and his wife are the proud parents of two sons, both veterans, and a daughter who is an attorney in Tarrant County,

Be It Therefore Resolved that the State Bar of Texas honors Judge Brent A. Carr for his commitment to the improvement of the legal profession, his just application of law, and his compassion for and service to the people of Tarrant County, the State of Texas and the United States.

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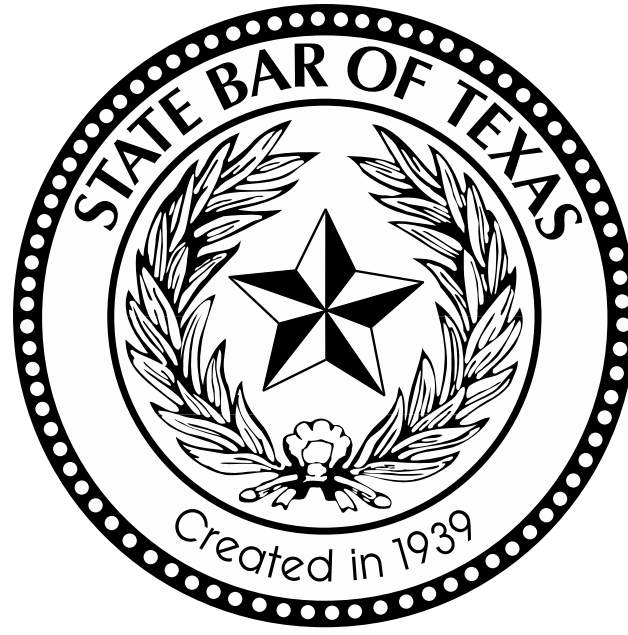
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A Resolution Honoring Hugh C. Akin

Whereas *Hugh C. Akin is the Executive Director of the Hatton W. Sumners Foundation for the Study and Teaching of the Science of Self-Government,*

Whereas *Mr. Akin's guidance of the Hatton W. Sumners Institutes on the Founding Documents has made it one of the premier civic education programs in the nation,*

Whereas *Mr. Akin's vision of civic education has led the expansion of the State Bar/Law Focused Education Hatton W. Sumners programs to include Being an American: Exploring the Ideals That Unite Us; Texas Citizen Bee; The American History Challenge: Teaching the Tough TEKS; and the Student Teacher Institute on Civic Education,*

Whereas *Mr. Akin first joined the foundation as Associate Executive Director in September 1993 before being promoted to Executive Director in 1995,*

Whereas *Mr. Akin has spent 25 years supporting programs that result in increased understanding of the benefits of individual freedom as well as personal and civic responsibility,*

Whereas *Mr. Akin, through his work, promotes informed and active participation by citizens in all levels of government,*

Whereas *Mr. Akin has decades of professional experience in public affairs and public relations,*

Be It Therefore Resolved *that the State Bar of Texas honors Hugh C. Akin for his work at the helm of the Hatton W. Sumners Foundation, his dedication to developing an educated and informed citizenry, and his commitment and service to the state of Texas.*

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A Resolution Honoring the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Committee

Whereas *The Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Committee has been a standing committee of the State Bar of Texas since 1983,*

Whereas *The purpose of the committee is to evaluate the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct and make suggestions to the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors concerning revisions that may be appropriate,*

Whereas *Committee members have spent considerable time in studying the ABA Model Rules, ethics rules from other bar associations, applicable court cases, and legal ethics principles, among other resources,*

Whereas *The work of the committee plays an important role in the self-regulation of the profession, and shows how dedicated lawyers are in protecting the public and setting high ethical standards for the legal profession,*

Whereas *The committee's efforts have helped to address a key purpose of the State Bar of Texas for its practicing members, which is to foster and maintain high ideals, integrity, and high standards of conduct,*

Whereas *The committee has been an invaluable resource for the State Bar of Texas and the people of our state,*

Be It Therefore Resolved *that the State Bar of Texas recognizes the members of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Committee for their outstanding work, commitment to the legal profession, and protection of the public.*

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