

Agenda

STATE BAR OF TEXAS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Special Called Meeting

Monday, July 19, 2021 – 9 a.m. CDT

*Via Telephonic Open Meeting Pursuant to Governor's March 16, 2020,
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1. **Call to Order** Santos Vargas
2. **Roll Call** Trey Apffel
3. **Invocation** David Calvillo
4. **Pledge to the U.S. and Texas Flags** Dwight McDonald
5. **Remarks from the General Public***
(Members of the public will have an opportunity to comment during the meeting. The time allotted will be 3 minutes per individual.)
6. **Report from the President** Sylvia Borunda Firth
 - A. **Discussion:** General Report
 - B. **Action:** Consider and discuss approval of continued authority for the Ad Hoc Submission Committee and Litigation Subcommittee to make decisions regarding

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McDonald et al v. Sorrels et al and related matters, as needed

7. **Report from the Chair of the Board** Santos Vargas
 - A. **Discussion:** General Report
 - B. **Report from Outside Counsel** Tom Leatherbury
 - C. **Closed Session** as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel on pending and contemplated litigation (including regarding *McDonald et al v. Sorrels et al* (No. 20-50448 in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals)).
 - D. **End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session**
 - E. **Action**, if needed, on items discussed in closed session
8. **SBOT Mission Statement** Santos Vargas
9. **Adjournment**

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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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