

Consent Agenda
Board of Directors
Friday, April 19, 2024

C1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

(Materials)

Approval of minutes of Board meeting conducted on January 26, 2024

C2. ITEMS FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Approval of appointments to the following entities:

a. 2024-2025 Special Committee to Nominate ABA Delegates:

Laura Gibson, Chair (Houston)

Kim Askew (Dallas)
Hon. Lora Livingston (Austin)
Hon. Jennifer Rymell (Fort Worth)
Travis Sales (Houston)

b. Commission for Lawyer Discipline:

1) for one-year terms effective September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025:

Hon. Monica Gonzalez (Chair – San Antonio)
Michael Truesdale (Vice Chair – Austin)

2) for a three-year term effective September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2027:

Lee D. Cox (Richmond)
Joe Escobedo (Edinburg)

c. Law Focused Education, Inc. for two-year terms effective June 1, 2024, through May 31, 2026:

Shivali Sharma (Texarkana)

d. Texas Center for Legal Ethics, for three-year terms effective June 1, 2024, through May 31, 2027:

Hon. Titiana D. Frausto (Amarillo)
David N. Kitner (Dallas)
Deborah Zuloaga (El Paso)

C3. ITEMS FROM THE PRESIDENT-ELECT:

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a. Approval of appointments: State Bar committees, chairs, co-chairs, vice chairs, co-vice chairs, and members to serve during the year 2024-25 bar year per State Bar Rules, Art. VIII, Section 1B

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- b. Section Representatives to the Board Committee**, for three-year terms effective Annual Meeting 2024, through Annual Meeting 2027:

Laura Ellis Kugler (Dallas) – Large-Sized Section
Toni Nguyen (Austin) – Small-Sized Section

For a one-year term effective Annual Meeting 2024 through Annual Meeting 2025:

Jerry D. Bullard (Grapevine) – Chair
Kenda L. Culpepper (Rockwall) – Vice-Chair

- c. Texas Bar Foundation**, for a one-year term effective June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025:

David C. Courreges (Austin) – Board Liaison

C4. OTHER ITEMS:

(Materials)

- a. Approval of recipients for the pro bono and indigent defense awards to be presented at the 2024 State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting:**

1) Pro Bono Award:

Methodist Justice Ministry (Fort Worth)

2) Frank J. Scurlock Award:

Nathaniel Peter Holzer (Corpus Christi)

3) The J. Chrys Dougherty Legal Services Award:

Lauren Joyner (Edinburg)

4) W. Frank Newton Award:

Haynes and Boone (Dallas)

5) Pro Bono Coordinator Award:

Sylvia Chavez (Plainview)

6) Pro Bono Support Staff Award:

Susan Davis (Fort Worth)

7) Warren Burnett Award:

James D. “Jim” Bethke (San Antonio)

8) Judge Merrill Hartman Pro Bono Judge Award:

Hon. Lora J. Livingston (Ret.) (Austin)

(Materials)

- b. Approval of recipients of the Nancy Garms Award:**

Mike Calfin (Lubbock)
Hon. Mark Hocker (Lubbock)

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- (Materials)* **c. Approval of recipient of the Honorary Leon Jaworski Award for Teaching Excellence:**

Dr. Susan R. Harte (Conroe)

- (Materials)* **d. Approval of resolution honoring:**

Melody Poole (League City)

SBOT MISSION

The mission of the State Bar of Texas is to support the administration of the legal system, assure all citizens equal access to justice, foster high standards of ethical conduct for lawyers, enable its members to better serve their clients and the public, educate the public about the rule of law and promote diversity in the administration of justice and the practice of law.