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AGENDA

STATE BAR OF TEXAS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Wednesday, June 18, 2025 – 1:00 p.m. CDT

JW Marriott Hill Country
23808 Resort Pkwy.
Cibolo Ballroom 6-7
San Antonio, TX 78268

The presiding officer will be physically present at the meeting location listed above.

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Public comments will be received under agenda item 5.
Those who wish to address the board in-person during this meeting should fill out a speaker card at the beginning of the meeting and submit it to a staff member onsite. To sign up to speak remotely, please email boardofdirectors@texasbar.com or call (512) 427-1400 or (800) 204-2222 (toll free) before 5 p.m. CDT on Tuesday, June 17, 2025. Please provide the agenda item number you wish to speak on.

Written comments regarding agenda items must be received by 5 p.m. CDT on Friday, June 13, 2025, for timely distribution to the Board of Directors before the meeting. Please submit written comments by email to boardofdirectors@texasbar.com and indicate the agenda item you are referring to.

Link to the June 18, 2025, Board of Directors Agenda and Materials:
www.texasbar.com/bodmaterials

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1.	**Call to Order**	Paul K. Stafford	
2.	**Roll Call**	Trey Apffel	
3.	**Invocation**	Jeff Cochran	
4.	**Pledge to the U.S. and Texas Flags**	Aaron Z. Tobin	
5.	**Remarks from the General Public** *(Members of the public will have an opportunity to comment during the meeting.)*		
6.	**Report from Chair of the Board** **A. Action:** Consider and discuss approval of Consent Agenda Items	Paul K. Stafford	**(Materials)**

B. Discussion:
1) General Report
2) Presentation of Outstanding Third Year Director Award
3) Presentation of Public Member Award

7.	**Report from Executive Director** **Discussion:** General Report	Trey Apffel	**(Materials)**
8.	**Report from President** **A. Presentation of Presidential Citations** **B. Discussion:** General Report	Steve Benesh	**(Materials)**
9.	**Report from President-elect** **A. Discussion:** General Report **B. Budget Committee** **Discussion:** General Report	Santos Vargas	**(Materials)**
10.	**Report from Immediate Past President** **Discussion:** General Report	Cindy Tisdale	
11.	**Executive Committee** **Nominations & Elections Subcommittee** **Discussion:** Update on 2025 State Bar Elections	Cindy Tisdale/Kennon Lily Wooten	**(Materials)**
12.	**Audit & Finance Committee** **Discussion:** Financial Reports and General Review of Financial Statements	Forrest Huddleston	**(Materials)**
13.	**Administration Committee** **A. Administration Committee** **Discussion:** General Report	Elizabeth Sandoval Cantu	
	B. Facilities & Equipment Subcommittee **1) Discussion: General Report** **2) Action:** Consider and discuss approval of Houston CDC Regional office space lease, or authorize the Executive Director to approve the lease if further negotiations are needed	Britney E. Harrison	**(Materials)**
	C. Performance Measures & Strategic Planning Subcommittee **1) Discussion:** General Report **2) Action:** Consider and discuss approval of updated performance measures based on 2025-2030 State Bar of Texas Strategic Plan	Alex Stelly, Jr.	**(Materials)**
14.	**Discipline & Client Attorney Assistance Committee** **Client Security Fund Subcommittee** **Discussion:** General Report	Lawrence Morales II	

15.	**Member Services & Education Committee** **A. New Directors Orientation Subcommittee** **Discussion:** General Report	Brandy Wingate Voss	
	B. Insurance/Member Benefits Subcommittee **Discussion:** General Report	Radha Thiagarajan	
	C. Professional Development Subcommittee **Discussion:** General Report	Aaron Z. Tobin	
16.	**Section Representatives to the Board** **Discussion:** General Report	Judge Jerry Bullard	
17.	**Discussion:** Texas Young Lawyers Association	Hisham Masri	**(Materials)**
18.	**Discussion:** Liaison Reports **A.** Supreme Court Liaison	Senior Justice Debra Lehrmann	
	B. Court of Criminal Appeals Liaison	Judge Jesse McClure III	
	C. Judicial Section Liaison	Judge Bill Miller	
	D. Federal Judicial Liaison	Judge Jeff Brown	
	E. Out of State Lawyer Liaison	Sundeep K. "Rob" Addy	
19.	**Commission for Lawyer Discipline/Chief Disciplinary Counsel** **Discussion:** General Report	Judge Monica Gonzalez/Seana Willing	**(Materials)**
20.	**Discussion:** Report from General Counsel	Ross Fischer	
21.	**Discussion:** Report from Chief Legal Counsel **Closed Session:**	Chris Ritter	
	A. As authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074 for the purpose of discussing the evaluation of the general counsel and the evaluation, duties, and compensation of the executive director	Steve Benesh	
	B. Closed Session: As authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel regarding *Turnbull v. Commission for Lawyer Discipline, et al.* (No. 24-934) (S. Ct); *Turnbull v. Commission for Lawyer Discipline, et al*. (03-25-00328-CV) (3rd Court of Appeals); *Robins v. State Bar of Texas, et al*. (No. 14-25-00211-CV)(14th Court of Appeals); *Robins v. Commission for Lawyer Discipline, et al.* (No. 202510213)(Harris County, Tex.); legal matters related to 1415 Lavaca; legal matters related to the State Bar's Information Technology system security; and as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to deliberate regarding personnel matter(s)		
	C. End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session		

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

22. **For Information Only:** End of Year Reports **(Materials)**
State Bar Committee and Section Reports

23. **Adjourn** Paul K. Stafford

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. Gov't 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.