TYLA ELECTION SCHEDULED

Pursuant to the bylaws of the Texas Young Lawyers Association, the membership of the TYLA will choose a president-elect and 17 directors in April. Regular members of TYLA include every licensed Texas attorney who is 36 years old or younger as of June 1 each year or attorneys within their initial 60-month licensing period as of June 1. Regular members are eligible to hold office and vote for president-elect and director or directors of their district.

President-elect Nominations and Balloting

This year, nominees for president-elect must come from districts encompassing the cities of Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, or San Antonio. One does not have to be an officer or director to be nominated for president-elect. Any regular member in good standing who is from any district encompassing one of the above-referenced cities is eligible.

Nominations for president-elect may be made by written petition, signed by at least 500 TYLA members in good standing, and filed with the executive director of the State Bar of Texas on or before March 1. A petition form may be obtained from the Texas Young Lawyers Association, P.O. Box 12487, Austin 78711-2487 or call (512) 427-1529 or (800) 204-2222, Ext. 1529.

The president-elect serves on the TYLA Board of Directors and Executive Committee, is a voting member of the State Bar Board of Directors, and serves on the State Bar Executive Committee. The president-elect serves one year and assumes the office of president immediately upon the adjournment of the annual meeting held at the close of his or her term as president-elect.

Directors Nominations and Balloting

Districts, as outlined in the bylaws, are represented on the TYLA board by elected directors. This year, directors will be elected to represent the 17 odd-numbered districts and odd-numbered places within districts. Nominations for director candidates must be made by written petition, signed by at least 5 percent or 100 members whose principal place of business is in the district, whichever is less, and filed with the executive director of the State Bar of Texas on or before March 1. A listing of the districts up for election this year is included on the following page.

Each director candidate must have his or her principal place of business within the district for which he or she is nominated. Each director is elected to serve a two-year term and is limited to two such terms as director. It is the duty of a director to represent his or her district at all TYLA board meetings; to attend the annual meeting of the membership; to be an active representative of the association within his or her district; to advise the board of local needs and programs being conducted within his or her district; to carry out assigned committee responsibilities; to promote association programs in his or her district; and to perform such duties as the president, executive committee, or board may direct. An orientation will be conducted for newly elected directors in June.

NOMINATING PETITION FOR TYLA DIRECTOR

We, the undersigned, being at least 5 percent or 100, whichever is less, of the members of the Texas Young Lawyers Association, whose principal place of business is in Texas Young Lawyers Association District #_____, do hereby nominate_____ of_____, Texas, as a candidate for Texas Young Lawyers Association Director from said District, pursuant to Section 4(b), Article V, Bylaws, Texas Young Lawyers Association, and request that his or her name be placed on the official ballot for 20____.

SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	BAR CARD NUMBER

Please mail original to: Executive Director, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin 78711-2487.
Deliveries can be made to 1414 Colorado, Suite 300, Austin 78701-1627 by 5 p.m. March 1.

Remember to Vote

Official ballots will be distributed on April 1. If your principal place of business is in one of the districts where a director will be elected, your ballot will include nominees for president-elect and the director position. If you are in a district where no director is up for election, your ballot will only have the president-elect nominees.

The TYLA should be representative of all young lawyers in Texas. This is only possible if you nominate and vote for a president-elect and director of your choice. ✪

2011 TYLA DIRECTORS ELECTION CHART

TYLA DISTRICT	NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED	INCUMBENT DIRECTOR AND RESIDENCE	COUNTIES IN DISTRICT
1	9	**Shivali Sharma**, *Texarkana*	Bowie, Camp, Cass, Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Marion, Morris, Panola, Red River, Rusk, Shelby Titus, Upshur
3	13	**Jobe Rodgers**, *Lubbock*	Bailey, Cochran, Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Kent, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Stonewall, Terry, Yoakum
5, Place 1	100	**Kelly L. Burris**, *Dallas*	Dallas
5, Place 3	100	**Sarah Rogers**, *Dallas*	Dallas
6, Place 3	100	**Erin O'Driscoll**, *Houston*	Harris
6, Place 5	100	**M. Vittoria "Giugi" Carminati**, *Houston*	Harris
7	10	**Baylor Wortham**, *Beaumont*	Chambers, Hardin, Jefferson, Liberty, Orange
8, Place 1	100	**David C. Courreges**, *Austin*	Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, Williamson
9	13	**Jeffrey A. Armstrong**, *Waco*	Bell, Bosque, Coryell, Falls, Lampassas, Limestone, McLennan, Milam, Mills, Roberson
10, Place 1	73	**Adrienne M. Clements**, *Fort Worth*	Ellis, Hill, Hood, Johnson, Navarro, Parker, Somervell, Tarrant
11	17	**Cameron Cox**, *Denton*	Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cooke, Denton, Foard, Hardeman, Haskell, Jack, Knox, Montague, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Wise, Young
13	22	**Rebecca Vela**, *McAllen*	Cameron, Hidalgo, Kenedy, Kleberg, Starr, Willacy
15	10	**Michael E. Deadman**, *San Angelo*	Bandera, Brown, Callahan, Coke, Coleman, Comanche, Concho, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Gillespie, Hamilton, Howard, Irion, Jones, Kendall, Kerr, Kimball, Llano, McCulloch, Mason, Menard, Mitchell, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Runnels, San Saba, Schleicher, Shackleford, Stephens, Sterling, Sutton, Taylor, Tom Green
17	7	**Natasha L. Brooks**, *Midland*	Andrews, Borden, Crane, Crockett, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Loving, Martin, Midland, Reagan, Scurry, Upton, Ward, Winkler
18, Place 1	75	**Alyssa J. Long**, *San Antonio*	Austin, Bexar, Burleson, Colorado, Comal, De Witt, Fayette, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Karnes, Lavaca, Lee, Waller, Washington, Wilson
19	9	**Donato D. Ramos, Jr.**, *Laredo*	Atacosa, Bee, Brooks, Dimmitt, Duval, Edwards, Frio, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Kinney, LaSalle, Live Oak, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Zapata, Zavala
21	28	**Robert E. Booth**, *Galveston*	Brazoria, Fort Bend, Galveston