

I operate at the intersection of law and education to expand access to legal knowledge, support, and careers.

Only 20% of Texans who qualify for civil legal services have access to the help they need and Texas ranks 46th in ensuring access to justice for all.

# ARMIN SALEK

— For President-Elect —  
Texas Young Lawyers Association

While a law student at the University of Houston, I volunteered as a law instructor in Houston ISD. Unfortunately, the high school students' description of lawyers involved firms they could not afford, legal aid they did not qualify for, and language barriers between their parents and effective counsel. Motivated by this experience, I returned to Austin and launched the first high school legal aid clinic, allowing me to both teach and provide free legal support.

For this work, I was named the Austin ISD High School Teacher of the Year and the Texas Outstanding Young Lawyer of the Year. After completing my Master of Education from Harvard, I returned to Texas and established a four-year, paid fellowship for aspiring first-gen lawyers.



The Texas Young Lawyers Association is the public service arm of the State Bar. We are responsible for elevating the voices of low income Texans and pushing for urgency in addressing the justice gap.

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## ACCESS TO JUSTICE RECOMMENDATIONS



### Access to Justice Podcast Talk Justice An LSC Podcast

Learn about innovative justice solutions from legal service experts



### Access to Justice Reading The Justice Gap Report

Explore the gap between civil legal needs and the available resources



### Remote Service Opportunity Texas Free Legal Answers

Respond to community needs from home at [texas.freelegalanswers.org](https://texas.freelegalanswers.org)



### In-Person Service Opportunity High School Trial Evaluator

Support the YMCA or Dallas Bar high school advocacy competitions

## BAR SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

### Texas Young Lawyers Association

- Served on the Public Service, Access to Justice, and Competitions committees
- Organized high school presentations of TYLA materials across Texas
- Elected to the Executive Committee as Treasurer for 2024-2025

### Austin, Houston, & Inn of Court

- Chaired the Austin Bar Law Related Education Committee
- Served on the Austin Young Lawyers Association Board of Directors
- Led legal education efforts as a member of the Houston Young Lawyers Association DEI Committee
- Selected as the Community Outreach Chair of the Barbara Jordan Inn of Court

### State Bar of Texas

- Worked with the Law Focused Education Committee to translate children's law books into French, Arabic, and Vietnamese

### American Bar Association

- Represented South and Central Texas in the Young Lawyers assembly
- Helped support legal aid disaster response efforts in Houston
- Chaired the Law Pathways Team
- Brought the inaugural ABA First-Gen Summit to Houston



## TYLA OBJECTIVES

You will not hear from the folks who experience the worst of our legal system at bar meetings or galas, and I believe that separation plays a role in our lack of urgency in addressing the Access to Justice Gap. If I am elected, no TYLA meetings will pass without us learning from and serving low-income Texans.

### Under my leadership, TYLA will:

- Ensure that all affiliate grants are dedicated to legal service projects
- Adjust pathway investments to the pre-law school stage, before aspiring lawyers are filtered out
- Commit to only utilizing subject matter experts in TYLA pamphlets
- Rewrite self-help materials to address language & literacy barriers