

DAVE'S STORY

David R. "Dave" Hagan is the current TYLA Board Chair and has served on the Board since 2019, when he was first elected as the District Representative for the 1st District covering most of Northeast Texas.

Dave completed his undergraduate studies in 2013 at the University of Texas. He then received his JD from Baylor Law and was licensed to practice in Texas in 2016.

Dave has worked as an Assistant DA at the Gregg County District Attorney's Office, as a personal injury trial lawyer at the Sloan Firm of Longview, Texas, and currently as a solo practitioner based in Longview, Texas, where he focuses on criminal defense and personal injury.

Dave and his wife, Mallory, are the proud parents of 2-year-old Harry, 5-month-old Maggie, two dogs, & five cats.



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Dear Friends & Colleagues,

In 2019, my life went through a seismic change. I changed careers, got sober, and joined the TYLA Board of Directors. Each of those decisions alone would have led to a major life change, but together they set me on a path that has led me here, to this campaign.

Over the last 6 years, I have had the chance to practice law across this state from Texarkana to El Paso, from the panhandle to the Valley. I have seen and heard from young lawyers in every town and city who are close to or who themselves struggled with mental health, substance abuse, and wellness issues. As President I want to refocus the association's attention and the resources of the State Bar on these issues, because I believe that improving young lawyers' wellness will lead to a better Bar, better outcomes for clients, and even a better society.

I am asking for your support, because I know that together we can make a difference to young lawyers. Let's make our Association, our Practice, and our State a better place.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dave Hagan".

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FOR President-Elect

TEXAS YOUNG LAWYERS ASSOCIATION



VOTE APRIL 1 - 30

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WHY I'M RUNNING

After years of Bar service, I have seen the good that TYLA and the Bar can do. I have also seen that issues surrounding mental health, substance abuse, and attorney wellness are still impacting a huge number of us. As someone sober for over 6 years, I bring a unique perspective to these particular issues and can provide leadership gained through experience on the board, in my practice, and in my own personal wellness journey.

TYLA must continue to pursue its mission as the service arm of the State Bar of Texas. By being committed to providing support to young lawyers, the Bar, and the public, TYLA can shore up not only the reputation of its members but of the profession as a whole. When people see the value in lawyers, they see the value in the rule of law as a whole and vice versa.



BAR SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Texas Young Lawyers Association (since 2019)

- Project lead, Competitions Committee Co-Chair, and Board Chair

American Bar Association (since 2023)

- ABA/YLD Representative for District 25, Credentials Committee member, and Resolutions Committee member



VISION FOR TYLA

- Redirect the Association's focus towards creating and pushing material that will help address those issues before they start affecting the work.
- Develop guides on what to do under the new cessation-of-practice rules framework.
- Create resources to ensure that clients are not left in the lurch, that courts are not jammed up, and that lawyers who volunteer to step up when another lawyer has to step away from their practice.



PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- TYLA Board of Directors 2019–Present
- ABA–YLD 2023–Present
- Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association 2019–Present
- Texas Trial Lawyers Association 2020–Present



DAVID R. HAGAN FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT