AGENDA STATE BAR OF TEXAS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 6, 2021 – 10:00 a.m. CDT

Via Telephonic Open Meeting Pursuant to Governor's March 16, 2020, Temporary Suspension of Certain Open Meetings Provisions*

Members of the Public:

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Public comments will be received under agenda item 3.

To sign up to speak during the meeting, please email amy.starnes@texasbar.com or call (800) 204-2222, Ext. 1416 (toll free) before 5 p.m. CDT on Monday, April 5, 2021. Please provide the agenda item number you wish to speak on.

Written comments must be received by 5 p.m. CDT on Wednesday, March 31, 2021, for timely distribution to the Executive Committee members before the meeting. Please submit written comments by email to boardofdirectors@texasbar.com.

Link to the April 6, 2021, Executive Committee Agenda and Materials: www.texasbar.com/bodmaterials

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1. Call to Order Larry McDougal

2. **Roll Call** Trey Apffel

3. Remarks from the General Public*

(Members of the public will have an opportunity to comment during the teleconference. Time allocations will be made based on the number of people who sign up to speak, and speakers will be notified beforehand.)

4. Report from the President

Larry McDougal

(Materials)

- **A. Discussion:** General report, task forces, and listening sessions
- **B.** Update on the At-large Director appointment
- C. Action: Discuss and consider approval of minutes of the January 12, 2021, and the March 12, 2021, Executive Committee Meeting

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D. Action: Consider and discuss approval of the creation of an Advertising Review Task Force

E. Action: Consider and discuss approval of the creation of a Workgroup on Texas Lawyer Needs Arising From the 2020 Pandemic and 2021 Winter Storm

5. Report from the Executive Director

Discussion: General Report, including updates on Rules Vote/Referendum, Texas Law Center repairs, and potential building purchase

6. Report from the Chair of the Board

Discussion: General Report

7. Report from the President-elect

A. Discussion: General report, including updates on the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force

B. Budget Committee

Action: Consider approval of the State Bar of Texas 2021-22 proposed budget for presentation to the Supreme Court

C. Committee Review Task Force

Action: Consider and discuss acceptance of Committee Review Task Force report

8. Report from the Immediate Past President

Discussion: General Report

A. Nominations & Elections

9. Executive Committee

Discussion: Update on President-elect and District Director

Elections

B. Policy Manual Subcommittee

Discussion: General report

10. **Discussion:** Supreme Court Liaison

11. DCAAP Subcommittee

Discussion: General Report

Discussion: General Report

12. Client Security Fund

13. Administration Committee
A. Discussion: General Report

B. Performance Measures & Strategic Planning

Trey Apffel

Charlie Ginn

Sylvia Borunda-Firth

(Materials)

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Randy Sorrels

Randy Sorrels/ Jerry Alexander

Adam Schramek

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Justice Debra Lehrmann

Steve Naylor

Rob Crain

James Wester

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Discussion: General Report

14. Audit & Finance Committee

Alistair Dawson

(Materials)

Discussion:

1) Financial Reports and General Review of Financial Statements

2) Internal Audit Reports

15. MCLE Committee

John Boyce

(Materials)

A. Discussion: General Report

B. Action: Consider and discuss approval of the proposed amendments to MCLE Accreditation Standards

16. Professional Development Subcommittee

Discussion: General Report

Rebekah Steely Brooker

17. Insurance/Member Benefits Subcommittee

Discussion: General Report

Carmen Roe

18. Legislative Policy Subcommittee

A. Discussion: General Report

B. Action: Consider, discuss, and approve additions or changes to the SBOT Legislative Program and recommendations of the Subcommittee, if any

Emily Miller

19. Section Representatives to the Board

Discussion: General Report

Emily Miller

20. Justice in Leadership Workgroup

Discussion: General Report and update on workgroup

recommendations

Carmen Roe

21. **Discussion:** TYLA Update

Britney Harrison

22. **Discussion:** Report from General Counsel

Ross Fischer

23. **Discussion:** Report from Legal Counsel

John Sirman

A. Closed Session as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel, to include discussion regarding all pending or any contemplated litigation (including regarding *McDonald et al. v. Sorrels et al* (No. 20-50448 in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals), *Rosalinda Solis v. Interra Sky 4801 Woodway, L.L.C* (No. 2019-18261 in the District Court of Harris County), *Samantha Carter v. Vuk Vujasinovic, et al* (No, 3:20-cv-01199-L-BT in the Northern District of Texas), and *LawHQ v. Willing* (No. 20-cv-00085 in the Western District of Texas); and Section 551.072 to deliberate regarding the

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potential purchase of real property at 1415 Lavaca St. in Austin

B. End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session

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

24. Adjourn

Larry McDougal

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the Board determines 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. Govt. 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.

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