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Come to the The Woodlands for the 2005 Bar Leaders Conference. Join other local bar presidents, president-elects and TYLA local affiliates for a two-day training program sponsored by the State Bar of Texas and Texas Young Lawyers Association. While there, address concerns, trade success tips and brainstorm for future initiatives with peers. Informative workshops, exciting nightly events and a new location makes this year's Bar Leaders Conference the place to hone skills not only for your local bar association, but for your practice as well.

Attendees

Local Bar Official Delegates

The State Bar of Texas will sponsor **ONE** individual from each local bar association. It is recommended to send a newly elected bar president or a president-elect so that information learned can be implemented into future planning for the bar association.

Local Bar Executive Directors

The State Bar of Texas will sponsor the executive director of local bar associations. There will be a meeting for executive directors on Friday morning at 9:00 a.m. This meeting will provide an avenue for executive directors to learn from each other, independent of the time with all bar leaders.

Texas Young Lawyers Association Official Delegates

The Texas Young Lawyers Association will sponsor **TWO** individuals and **ONE** minority representative from each young lawyer affiliate.

Access To Justice Official Delegates

Access to Justice will sponsor **ONE** official delegate from each local bar association and young lawyer affiliate. This individual must represent a pro bono project or committee from a local bar association and must attend the Access to Justice breakouts and workshops during the Bar Leaders Conference.

Additional Delegates

Additional delegates may register for the Bar Leaders Conference by paying \$125.00. Individuals registering as an additional delegate will be responsible for their own travel and lodging expenses. Conference meals are included in the registration fee.

Spouses or Guests

Spouses and guests must be registered if attending any conference activities, including Saturday night's Casino Party.

** While the State Bar of Texas encourages registrants to bring spouses, guests and other family members to attend Bar Leaders Conference, no expenses for such guests will be reimbursed. **

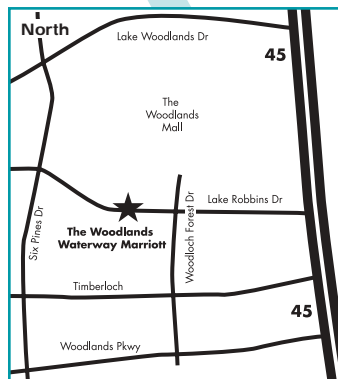
When and Where

When: July 29-30, 2005

Where: The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel & Convention Center
1601 Lake Robbins Drive
The Woodlands, Texas 77380

The Woodland Waterway Marriott is located approximately 21 miles north of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport. The luxurious new facility sits in the heart of a commercial district among tree-lined walkways and more than 150 retail shops accessible by water taxi.

When driving from the airport, take the Hardy Toll Road North. This will merge with I-45. Take exit 76, Woodlands Parkway. At the second traffic light, Six Pines Dr., turn right. Travel 2 blocks to Lake Robbins Drive and then turn right. The Woodland Waterway Marriott Hotel & Convention Center is on your right.



Registration

Register early and save! Early Registration deadline is July 5, 2005. After July 5, a late fee of \$25 will be assessed for all registrants including "official" delegates.

To register and secure housing, use the form, on the back of this brochure, **NOW!** A special room block has been reserved on a first come basis for participants until JULY 5. Reservations received after this date are subject to availability.

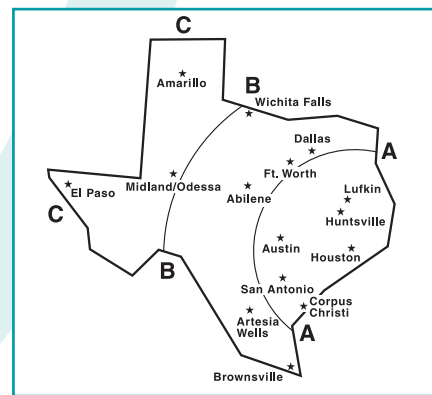
The State Bar will pay for a maximum of two nights' lodging, transportation and meals for official delegates. Additional delegates are responsible for all guest charges and incidentals which must be paid upon departure. See Registration & Reimbursement Information on page 6.

All attendees must provide credit card information for the hotel in order to hold room.

Travel Reimbursement

Official delegates and executive directors will be reimbursed for travel expenses up to a specified dollar amount, depending on the distance from their home to the conference. Please see the below map to determine the amount that will be reimbursed.

Reimbursement forms will be distributed on Saturday after the afternoon workshops are completed. Delegates must attend all three Saturday workshops in order to receive a reimbursement form. Records will be kept to verify attendance.



Reimbursement forms may be turned in on site, faxed or mailed. Please provide receipts for airline tickets, cabs and shuttle services. If submitting the reimbursement form off site, please mail or fax to the State Bar of Texas, Local Bar Services Division.

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Local Bar Services Division
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Austin, TX 78711

Fax: 512.463.7388

Area A	(0-200 miles roundtrip)	Up to \$75.00
Area B	(201-450 miles roundtrip)	Up to \$150.00
Area C	(451 + miles roundtrip)	Up to \$250.00

Registration Information

Meals

Hotel accommodations for delegates and additional delegates include scheduled meal functions on Friday (lunch and dinner) and Saturday (breakfast, lunch, dinner and two coffee breaks). Meal tickets will be distributed with the registration packet on-site for all delegates.

Delegates may purchase additional meal tickets, excluding luncheons for spouses, guests and children on registration form. Please indicate number of people attending each meal function. Tickets may not be available on site.

Attire

Casual is key for Bar Leaders Conference. Comfortable shorts, pants or jeans are ideal for meetings, and a light sweater for cool conference rooms may be recommended. But when meetings adjourn on Saturday and the Casino party begins, don't be caught in anything less than your finest dressy casual attire!

Things To Do

BAR LEADERS CONFERENCE EVENTS

Friday Evening - Happy Hour: Meeting Uncommon Leaders

Mix and mingle with young lawyers from around the state. TYLA invites attendees and guests to meet at a nearby watering hole for drinks, lively conversation and hors d'oeuvres. Casual, relaxed and a great chance to raise a glass with friends, old and new. Snacks and beverages provided by TYLA and various sponsors from 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Saturday Evening - Casino Party

High stakes and excitement are guaranteed at the Casino Party sponsored by LexisNexis. Bring your family and join your friends for some fun with more than fifty door prizes drawn throughout the night. But be sure to be the last one out the door because the grand-prize drawing wraps up the night.

RECREATION

After meetings conclude each day, take advantage of nearby events and attractions. Restaurants, shops and concerts are all within walking distance. Stroll through tree-lined walkways or better yet, take a water-taxi to your destination.

- The Woodlands Mall
- Market Street
- Cinemark Tinseltown
- The Oaks and Panther Trails (1 mi)
Driving range and putting green
- Augusta Pines (8 mi)
18 hole golf course

HOUSTON ATTRACTIONS

- Astros game
Friday, August 29 7:05 p.m.
Saturday, August 30 6:05 p.m.
Sunday, August 31 1:05 p.m.
Minute Maid Park is approximately 30 miles from The Woodlands Waterway. Call 800/ASTROS2 for ticket information.
- Cynthia Woods-Mitchell Pavilion
Check the website for the latest listing of concerts and special events. <http://pavilion.woodlandscenter.org>

- The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston
Visit the museum for the summer exhibit "Baseball As America" organized by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. The museum is 38 miles from the hotel. For exhibit and ticket information, go to <http://mfah.org>.

Car Rentals

Avis Rent A Car
(800) 698-5685
Member# A520400

National Car Rental
(800) 227-7368
Member# 6100625

Budget Rent-A-Car
(800) 455-2848
Member# T568000

Advantage Rent-A-Car
(800) 777-5500
Member# 202-TXC

Hertz Rent A Car
(800) 654-2200
Member CDP # 45830

Alamo Rent A Car
(800) 327-9633
Member# 215177

Shuttle Services

Express Shuttle
(713) 523.8888

AFC Corporate Transportation
(Town Cars and Limos)
(713) 988.5466

Texas Super Shuttle
(713) 781.6660

Larry's Cab
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2005 Bar Leaders Conference Program

Friday, July 29, 2005

- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Registration**
- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Resource Room**
- 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 p.m. **State Bar of Texas Board of Directors
Executive Committee Meeting**
- 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Metro Bar Execs Meeting**
- 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Local Bar Services Committee Meeting**
- 11:30 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- Welcome**
John Edwards, *SBOT Executive Director*
Sue Kurita, *Local Bar Services Committee Chair*
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **General Session**
Eduardo Roberto Rodriguez, *SBOT President*
Tom Godbold, *SBOT Chair of the Board*
Lee Ann Reno, *TYLA President*
Jan Miller, *Director of Law Related Education*
Kristie Brasfield, *Director of Minority Affairs*
Bill Cobb, *Cobb Consulting*
- 1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. **Break**
- 1:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. **Judges Report**
Justice Dale Wainwright, *Supreme Court of Texas*
Judge Lawrence Meyers, *Texas Court of
Criminal Appeals*
- 2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **Whistle Stop**
- 2:50 p.m. – 3:50 p.m. **SBOT/TYLA Regional Breakouts
and ATJ Breakout**
Please choose one.

ATJ Breakout

With ATJ Commission Chair Jim Sales

1 Hour CLE (ethics)

Hear about new initiatives of the Texas Access to Justice Commission and how local bars can be more involved in this exciting work to provide access to justice to low-income Texans.

SBOT/TYLA Breakout

What are you local needs?

Breakouts will be lead by SBOT Board and Local Bar Services Committee members. Please attend the breakout with bars of same district.

Area	SBOT District	TYLA District
North/Panhandle	13, 14, 16	3, 11, 16
Houston/Gulf Coast	3, 4, 5	2, 6, 7, 21
North/Northeast	1, 2	1, 4
D/FW Metroplex	6, 7	5, 10
Central	8, 9	8, 9
South	10, 11, 12	12, 13, 18, 19
West	15, 17	14, 15, 17

- 3:50 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Break**
- 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Workshop**
Choose one of the following three work-shops.
- Premier CLE**
Description: How you can help Texas Bar CLE deliver to your members! Learn about all the new initiatives – many are no charge – available to local bars and their members. Discover how you can get your members involved on a statewide level.
- National Adoption Day** – Kimberly Stone, *Texas Department of Family and Protective Services*
Description: Are you interested in helping abused and neglected children in Texas but don't know how? This workshop will help you plan for and put on a National Adoption Day in your area that will celebrate the wonderful families created through adoption and highlight the need for adoptive and foster homes. The workshop includes organizational tools, forms, attorney training material, media stories, and a grant application in addition to stories from people who have been forever changed by National Adoption Day. You can help bring permanency and security to these children and their adoptive families.

What the State Bar Can Do for Local Bar Associations – *State Bar of Texas Immediate Past President Kelly Frels*

Description: How in tune are you with the services offered to your members by the State Bar of Texas? Attend this informative workshop conducted by Kelly Frels introducing you to the many services available.

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **Diversity Summit**

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. **Dinner**

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. **Meeting Uncommon Leaders**
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10:00 p.m. – Midnight **Hospitality Suite**

Saturday, July 30, 2005

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Registration**

8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Resource Room**

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Breakfast/CLE**

9:30 a.m. – 9:40 a.m. **Break**

9:40 a.m. – 10:55 a.m. **SBOT Breakout By Size of Bar**
TYLA Building Uncommon Leaders
ATJ Breakout

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Project Showcase**

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**

12:40 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **SBOT Leadership Strategies**
Learn from a group of proven bar leaders about what has worked for them in association leadership. There will be an opportunity for audience questions.

TYLA Working for You, Building Uncommon Leaders

This program allows affiliate Presidents, President-Elects, and other representatives to learn from each other, get to know TYLA's leadership and strategize about the future.

ATJ Breakout 1 Hr. CLE (ethics)
Doing Good and Doing Well—Manny Newburger

Find out about how to settle difficult cases, satisfy your clients and support legal services to the poor, all at the same time.

1:30 p.m. – 1:40 p.m. **Break**

1:40 p.m. – 4:50 p.m. **Workshops**
For a complete description, see the following page. Not every workshop is offered in every time slot, so plan accordingly. There will be seven choices for each session.

1:40 p.m. – 2:40 p.m. Session I

2:50 p.m. – 3:50 p.m. Session II

3:55 p.m. – 4:55 p.m. Session III

6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. **Dinner**

8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. **Casino Party**
Sponsored by LexisNexis
Come enjoy an evening of fun and relaxation and take home a prize. High stakes and excitement are guaranteed at the Casino Party sponsored by LexisNexis. Bring your family and join your friends for some fun with more than fifty door prizes drawn throughout the night. But be sure to be the last one out the door because the grand-prize drawing wraps up the night.

11:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. **Hospitality Suite**

Saturday Conference Workshops

Strategic Planning – Elizabeth Derrico, *Associate Director of ABA Division of Bar Services*

Time: 1:40 p.m. and 2:50 p.m.

Description: One of the fundamental responsibilities of the board is to set the strategic direction of the association. From board orientation to effective strategic planning, this session will help you to define goals, set priorities and create action plans for the benefit of the association's members.

An Invitation to Law Practice Management – Gisela Bradley, *Director of SBOT Law Practice Management*

Time: 2:50 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

Description: Why are the requests for assistance and resources continuously increasing when it comes to matters of law practice management? With more competition than ever, increasing demands by clients, and more technology to use, find out how YOU can serve YOUR members in this growing area of need and interest. The Law Practice Management Program will demonstrate its new products and services and assist you with planning for your next year in office.

Parliamentary Procedure: your Responsibility as a Bar Leader – Anne Yeakel, *Director of the Texas Bar Foundation*

Time: 1:40 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

Description: Do you often find your head spinning during your board or committee meetings? Do members and leaders speak out of turn, often interrupting one another? If so, this workshop will provide you with the tools that you need to run a more efficient meeting.

Lawyer Image, Lawyer Image, Lawyer Image

Time: 1:40 p.m., 2:50 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

Description: You know that lawyers do a lot of good in the community. You know the judicial system is an integral part of our democracy. What steps can you and your local bar association take to ensure that the good things lawyers do are publicized and that the misinformation and unjustified criticism of our legal system and the profession are challenged? This session will give you a few tips for working with the media as well as help you develop an ongoing method for responding to unjustified criticism.

ATJ - Something for Everyone! Part I—Meredith Linsky, Robert Etnyre, *ProBar*

Time: 1:40 p.m.

1 Hour CLE (ethics)

Description: Interested in different but very rewarding pro bono work? Asylum seekers bear the scars of suffering inflicted on them in their home countries. Attorneys can provide these survivors enormous help just by stepping briefly out of your their routine.

ATJ - Something for Everyone! Part II—Tom Burton, *Justice for Children*

Time: 2:50 p.m.

1 Hour CLE (ethics)

Description: Interested in different but very rewarding pro bono work? Justice for Children is a non-profit organization that advocates for the safety and protection of criminally abused children when the system designed to protect them fails to do so. Direct casework is only one way that JFC seeks to protect children.

ATJ Access to Justice Update—Laura Tansey Rey-Sanchez, *ATJ Commission*

Time: 3:55 p.m.

1 Hour CLE (ethics)

Description: Learn about ATJ presentations that are available for your local bar association meetings—with ethics CLE credit, too!

Projects! Projects! Projects

Time: 1:40 p.m., 2:50 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

Description: Learn about a number of highly successful and innovative TYLA and Local Affiliate projects on a wide variety of topics, which your local bar can duplicate. Each session will feature a distinct variety of projects designed to serve the public and your local bar.

Leadership Training

Time: 1:40 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

Description: What Bar Leaders Conference would be complete without discussing leadership itself? Join TYLA leaders for a fun, interactive session designed to hone your leadership skills and guaranteed to introduce you to other BLC participants. Does your bar association need more volunteers? If so, consider attending the Leadership Training Workshop. This workshop will show how your affiliate can implement a leadership training program for your members to help them become better leaders in the bar and community. Attorneys who participate in a bar-sponsored leadership training program are likely to volunteer with other bar projects. Come see why.

Show Me the Money

Time: 1:40 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

Description: Is dues money not covering the cost of a project? Learn new strategies and discover non-dues sources of revenue that are available to local bars. Hands-on help will be available for various grant opportunities. This workshop will help you develop alternative financial resources with guidance from a variety of networks and materials.

Champagne Service on a Beer Budget – Barbara Earle, *Director of Annual Meeting and Local Bar Services* and Trisha Graham, *Executive Director of the Tarrant County Bar Association*

Time: 2:50 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

Description: Learn from the experts on ways to give your members five star service while saving the association valuable funds.

Alternative Sources of Revenue—Anne Yeakel, *Director of Texas Bar Foundation*

Time: 2:50 p.m.

Description: When your dues revenue isn't enough, use three questions to guide your bar's fund-raising efforts. Learn how your time frame, your project, and your community influence the direction you take. Whether your bar focuses on services to members or services for the public, this workshop will change how you plan your project funding.

Registration Form

STEP 1 PERSONAL INFORMATION

Bar Card Number _____

Name _____ Name for Badge _____

Bar Association, TYLA Affiliate or Organization Representing _____

What is your title in your organization? _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

If representing a local bar association or a SBOT District, which SBOT District are you located? _____

If representing a TYLA affiliate or TYLA District, which TYLA District are you located? _____

What are the top three concerns you would like addressed during the conference?

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

STEP 2 TYPE OF DELEGATE

- Local Bar Official Delegate
- Local Bar Executive Director
- Local Bar Services Committee
- Access to Justice Delegate
- SBOT Board of Director
- SBOT Staff
- Sponsor/Exhibitor
- TYLA Local Affiliate Official Delegate
- TYLA Local Affiliate Committee
- TYLA Executive Committee

Local Bar Additional Delegate\$125.00

TYLA Local Affiliate Additional Delegate\$125.00

Guest Registration \$25.00 per adult \$_____

Name: _____

If attending the Casino Party, guests must register!

STEP 3 MEALS

If an official delegate or executive director, meals are complimentary, but please indicate the meals in which you will attend for guarantee purposes.

- Friday Lunch
- Saturday Breakfast
- Friday Dinner
- Saturday Lunch
- Saturday Dinner

If an additional delegate, meals are included in the registration fee, but please indicate the meals in which you will attend for ordering guarantee purposes.

- Friday Lunch
- Saturday Breakfast
- Friday Dinner
- Saturday Lunch
- Saturday Dinner

If registering a spouse, guest or child, please indicate the meals that will be attended and add the cost of each meal.

Friday Dinner ___ Adult(s) at \$27.00 a person.....\$_____

Friday Dinner ___ Child(ren) at \$16.00 a child\$_____

Saturday Dinner ___ Adult(s) at \$27.00 a person.....\$_____

Saturday Dinner ___ Child(ren) at \$16.00 a child\$_____

Meal Total Costs\$_____

STEP 4 TYPE OF ACCOMMODATIONS

To guarantee a room, check the type of room desired, indicate your arrival and departure dates and complete the credit card information. Official delegates will be charged to the State Bar, but the personal credit card information will hold the room reservation. If canceling, you will be responsible for payment of the room if you do not call the State Bar by July 8, 2005.

- Official Delegate Single (no charge for two nights)
- Official Delegate Double Double (no charge for two nights)
- Additional Delegate Single (\$99.00 a night)
- Additional Delegate Double Double (\$99.00 a night)

Arrival Date _____ Time _____ Departure Date _____ Time _____

Credit Card Type Visa MasterCard AMEX Discover Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Bed Type ___ King ___ Two Double Beds

STEP 5 CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY, JULY 29, 2005

SBOT/TYLA Breakout by Location or Access to Justice Breakout

- North/Panhandle Houston/Gulf Coast North/Northeast
- DFW/Metroplex Central South
- Access to Justice West

Workshop

- Premier CLE National Adoption Day What the State Bar Can Do for Local Bar Associations

Evening

- Meeting Uncommon Leaders

SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2005

Morning Breakouts

- SBOT TYLA ATJ

Afternoon Breakouts

There are multiple concurrent SBOT Breakouts by size of bar while there is a TYLA Breakout and ATJ Breakout. Please only choose one of the options. SBOT Breakout by Size of Bar

- 0-25 1000+
- 26-7071-150 Women Bars
- 151-300 Minority Bars
- 301-999

- TYLA Breakout ATJ Breakout

Afternoon Workshops

- Strategic Planning 1:40 2:50 An Invitation to Law Practice Management 3:05 4:05
- Parliamentary Procedure 2:05 4:05 Lawyer Image, Lawyer Image, Lawyer Image, 1:40 2:50 3:55
- ATJ Something for Everyone! Part I 2:05 ATJ Something for Everyone! Part II 3:05 ATJ Access to Justice Update 4:05
- Projects! Projects! Projects! 2:05 3:05 4:05 Alternative Sources of Revenue 2:05
- Leadership Training 2:05 4:05 Show Me the Money 2:05 4:05
- Champagne Service on a Beer Budget 3:05 4:05

STEP 6 DOOR PRIZES AND SPONSORSHIPS

To make the conference more fun and to promote the involvement from each bar association and affiliate, it has been suggested that each association bring a door prize indigenous to their area of the state. Suggestions include gift baskets, hotel visits, wine, and free admission to local attractions. Be creative! If your bar would prefer to underwrite an event, email Cristina Rosales at crosales@texasbar.com.

Donated Door Prize will be _____

STEP 7

Please add the amounts from Step 2 and Step 3 to total the amount that should be charged.

Total Registration Fee Enclosed.....\$_____

I am paying by: Check Visa MasterCard AMEX Check Number _____

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____ Name on Card _____

This registration form must be faxed or mailed to the State Bar of Texas Local Bar Services Department before July 5th, 2005.

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