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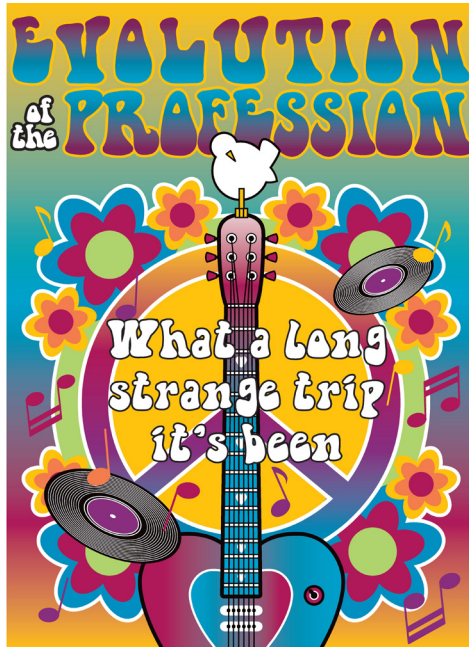
## Great Rates! Registration open for Annual Meeting & Summer School

Special pricing discounts are available for the 78th Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) Annual Meeting and the LSBA/Louisiana Judicial College Joint Summer School. The events, with the 1960s-vibed theme “Evolution of the Profession,” are set for Sunday through Friday, June 2-7, at Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort in Destin, Fla.

Pricing discounts are available for judges; lawyers employed full-time by local, state or federal government; lawyers employed full-time by legal aid agencies or indigent defense agencies; lawyers employed in academic institutions; and Young Lawyers. The four-day registration option will be available again for all groups.

Event participants will be able to enjoy six days of substantive programming, social events and fascinating speakers for one great price.

In addition to a full slate of meetings (LSBA Board of Governors, House of Delegates, Young Lawyers Division, Senior Lawyers Division, committees and sections) and several



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## Electronic payment of 2019-20 LSBA dues, LADB assessment accessible in mid-May

Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) members have the option to pay their 2019-20 LSBA dues and Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board (LADB) assessment by ACH electronic check, credit card, or download and mail their Attorney Registration Statement and checks for the payment of fees. Members are encouraged to pay and file electronically, as this access will be available 24/7, including times when the Bar Center is closed or if mail service is disrupted due to inclement weather. Further, electronic payment gives members more control over their information in the database and allows for more timely updates to their member records.

Filing electronically can be a quick and simple process, utilizing the online member

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accounts that participants have relied on for years to register for CLE seminars and to access Fastcase. If an attorney has not yet set up a member account, one can easily be created at: [www.lsba.org/Members/memberacct.aspx](http://www.lsba.org/Members/memberacct.aspx). This webpage also allows members to edit their existing accounts and reset a lost or forgotten account password.

After member data is confirmed but before the payment/filing process begins, members will be advised that they also need to go to [www.LADB.org](http://www.LADB.org) to complete the Louisiana Supreme Court Trust Account Disclosure and Overdraft Notification Authorization Form and will be asked to confirm that they understand this requirement.

The collection schedule will be the same as in prior years. In lieu of mailing a statement to each member, in mid-May, the LSBA will mail to each member a postcard, which will provide instructions to go online to [www.LSBA.org](http://www.LSBA.org) to complete the registration process, and to go online to [www.LADB.org](http://www.LADB.org) to complete the Trust Account Form. ***This is the only mailing members will receive prior to the July 1, 2019, due date; attorney registration statements will NOT be mailed.***

With the introduction of the new email address, [compliance@lsbamembership.com](mailto:compliance@lsbamembership.com), the LSBA will email reminders throughout the dues collection period. Members are encouraged to add this email address to their contact list to avoid missing important communications. Members should not reply to this email address, but rather direct questions to [processing@lsba.org](mailto:processing@lsba.org).

Once members have electronically filed their Attorney Registration Statements (including any necessary changes and/or up-

dates) and made the required payments, they will receive email confirmations. The filing and payment deadline will remain July 1. The LSBA will continue to mail delinquency and ineligibility notices to those who fail to meet the deadlines.

Members who elect to pay by electronic check will continue to pay the following fees:

- ▶ LSBA dues (practicing more than three years): \$200;
- ▶ LSBA dues (practicing three years or less): \$80;
- ▶ LADB assessment (practicing more than three years): \$235; and
- ▶ LADB assessment (practicing three years or less): \$170.

***Those who are planning to pay by electronic check should contact their financial institutions to confirm that their accounts allow payment by this method.***

As was the case last year, processing fees of 3%, plus a .20 transaction fee, will be passed along to those choosing to pay by credit card. Total amounts, including credit card processing fees, are as follows:

- ▶ LSBA dues (practicing more than three years): \$206.20;
- ▶ LSBA dues (practicing three years or less): \$82.60;
- ▶ LADB assessment (practicing more than three years): \$242.25; and
- ▶ LADB assessment (practicing three years or less): \$175.30.

Bar staff members will be available to answer questions and provide assistance to members. All questions and concerns should be directed to:

- ▶ Email — [processing@LSBA.org](mailto:processing@LSBA.org)
- ▶ Telephone — (504)566-1600 or (800)421-LSBA; ask for Payment Processing. 📞

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award and networking receptions, there are many CLE opportunities for all participants.

Among the other offerings are nationally renowned keynote speakers; dynamic, interactive panels; multiple substantive law tracks; networking opportunities with leading judges and lawyers; business development/practice management tracks; evening receptions; law school gatherings; and supervised children's activities during evening social events.

Also, attendees may register for the golf tournament or participate in the Fun Run/Walk, daily health and wellness programs and the Step Challenge. Learn more about all opportunities at the web link below.

The Sandestin resort offers several housing options. Housing requests must be made directly with Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort by April 30. An online booking option is available. The LSBA does not accept housing forms.

To review all programming, register online, download a registration form, sign up for the golf tournament, or review housing information, go to: [www.lsba.org/annualmeeting](http://www.lsba.org/annualmeeting). 📄

## LSBA seeking sponsors, exhibitors, advertisers

Businesses, organizations and legal professionals are encouraged to respond by May 3 with their interest in sponsoring an event, setting up a booth at the Lawyers' Expo or advertising in the program for the combined 78th Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) Annual Meeting and LSBA/Louisiana Judicial College Joint Summer School, scheduled for Sunday through Friday, June 2-7, at Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort in Destin, Fla.

For sponsorship and vendor information, contact LSBA Program Coordinator/Marketing and Sections Christine A. Richard, email [crichard@lsba.org](mailto:crichard@lsba.org) or call (504)619-0105.

For program advertising information, contact LSBA Communications Assistant Krystal Bellanger Rodriguez, email [kbellanger@lsba.org](mailto:kbellanger@lsba.org) or call (504)619-0131. 📄

## Member certified elected for BOG seat

**K**elly M. Rabalais of Mandeville has been certified elected for the Louisiana State Bar Association Board of Governors' Fifth District seat, following the close of runoff voting on Feb. 11. Rabalais will serve a three-year term.

For more information on the election results, go to: [www.lsba.org/goto/elections](http://www.lsba.org/goto/elections). 📄

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## LBF sets series of Community Partnership Panel events

The Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) and its Community Partnership Panels throughout the state will be hosting several events in April and May. Fellows will be updated on LBF activities and local projects and initiatives. Recognition will be given to volunteers, Class of 2018 Fellows and 20-year Fellows. To assist with building LBF membership, the LBF encourages members to bring colleagues.

Scheduled events include:

- ▶ Tuesday, April 16: Northwest Annual Fellows Breakfast.
- ▶ Tuesday, April 16: Central Annual Fellows Lunch.
- ▶ Wednesday, April 17: Capital Area Annual Fellows Lunch.
- ▶ Tuesday, April 23: Bayou Region Annual Fellows Lunch.
- ▶ Wednesday, April 24: Northshore Annual Fellows Lunch.
- ▶ Wednesday, April 24: Greater Orleans Annual Fellows Reception.
- ▶ Tuesday, May 7: Acadiana Annual Fellows Breakfast.
- ▶ Tuesday, May 7: Southwest Annual Fellows Lunch.

For more information on any of these events, contact Danielle Marshall at (504)561-1046 or email [danielle@raisingthebar.org](mailto:danielle@raisingthebar.org).

## Interested in an appointed LSBA House of Delegates position? Respond ASAP

Several Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) House of Delegates seats received no qualifiers by the Oct. 22, 2018, qualifying deadline and will be filled by presidential appointment. Members interested in being considered for appointment to these positions should email LSBA Executive Assistant Jen France at [jen.france@lsba.org](mailto:jen.france@lsba.org) as soon as possible. Available positions are listed below.

### LSBA House of Delegates (June 2019-June 2021 term)

- ▶ 27th Judicial District (St. Landry): 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ 29th Judicial District (St. Charles): 1 appointment pending.

- ▶ 30th Judicial District (Vernon): 2 appointments pending.
- ▶ 32nd Judicial District (Terrebonne): 2 appointments pending.
- ▶ 35th Judicial District (Grant): 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ 36th Judicial District (Beauregard): 2 appointments pending.
- ▶ 37th Judicial District (Caldwell): 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ 39th Judicial District (Red River): 1 appointment pending.

### LSBA House of Delegates (to complete June 2018-June 2020 term)

- ▶ 2nd Judicial District (Bienville, Claiborne and Jackson): 2 appointments pending.

## House resolution deadline is May 8

The deadline for submitting resolutions for the next Louisiana State Bar Association's (LSBA) House of Delegates meeting is Wednesday, May 8.

The House will meet on Thursday, June 6, in conjunction with the LSBA's Annual Meeting at Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort in Destin, Fla.

Resolutions by House members and com-

mittee and section chairs should be mailed to LSBA Secretary John E. McAuliffe, Jr., c/o Louisiana Bar Center, 601 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA 70130-3404. All resolutions proposed to be considered at the meeting **must be received** on or before May 8. Resolutions must be signed by the author. Also, copies of all resolutions should be emailed (in MS Word format) to LSBA Executive Assistant Jen France at [jen.france@lsba.org](mailto:jen.france@lsba.org).

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# Centenary signs admissions agreement with LSU Law Center

Centenary College signed a memorandum of understanding with Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center on Jan. 23 to create a partnership that will provide Centenary students who meet LSU Law admission requirements and who are interested in public interest careers an opportunity for an expedited admissions review and notification process.

“This public/private partnership also links an institution located in south Louisiana — the LSU Law Center — with one in north Louisiana — Centenary College. Both schools have great traditions and bright futures,” LSU Law Center Dean Thomas C. Galligan, Jr. said. “At the Law Center, we have had many wonderful students from Centenary over the years. We hope with this agreement that the number will grow.”

With the agreement, graduating students from Centenary who complete an

undergraduate minor in legal studies, have an interest in public interest work, submit their application by Dec. 1, and complete the LSU Law admissions requirements will receive priority consideration, automatic financial aid consideration, an early admissions decision for the following year’s matriculating class, and will be presumptively admitted assuming they meet LSU Law’s other admissions requirements. This arrangement offers a pathway to admission with expedited consideration and early decision, but it does not guarantee admission to all candidates who meet the basic requirements. The LSU Law Center’s Admissions Committee still reviews each candidate and reserves the right to approve or deny admission.

Seven Centenary graduates currently are enrolled at the LSU Law Center, and more than 70 Centenary alumni have graduated from LSU Law since 1970. 📖

## LSBA Section membership: Renew or sign up by April 15

The 2019-20 membership application for the Louisiana State Bar Association’s (LSBA) 30 sections will be mailed in mid-February. Members are encouraged to sign up for the sections by returning the application and payment by April 15 to: Section Membership, Louisiana State Bar Association, 601 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA 70130-3404.

The Section application and brochure also will be available online by mid-February at: [www.lsba.org/BarGovernance/Sections.aspx](http://www.lsba.org/BarGovernance/Sections.aspx). Members needing an additional copy should follow the link to download and print the application or brochure. Note: Members should select the correct application based on the fiscal year in which they would like to join.

For more information, contact the Membership Department, (504)566-1600, (800)421-5722, or email [processing@lsba.org](mailto:processing@lsba.org). 📖



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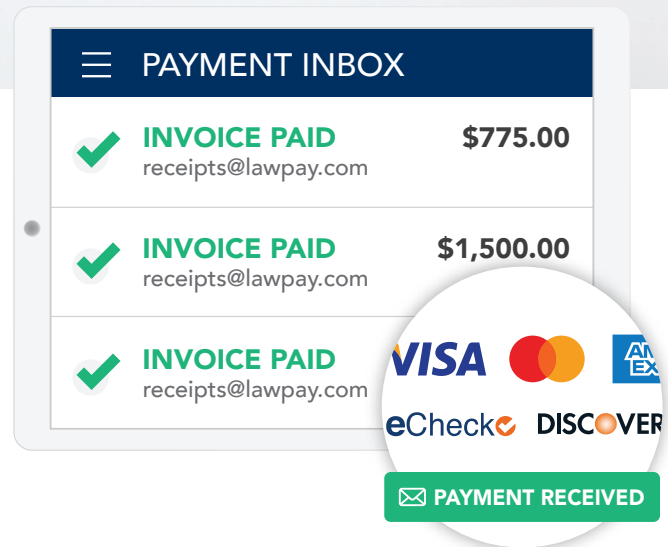
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# Fourth hearing scheduled in Shreveport for comments on LBLS Employment Law Standards, Labor Law Standards

The Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization (LBLS) will hold its fourth and final public hearing beginning at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, at the Shreveport Bar Association, 625 Texas St., Shreveport, to provide a forum for Bar members to comment on the LBLS Employment Law Standards and Labor Law Standards.

The resolutions of two members of the Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) House of Delegates (HOD) to suspend the LBLS's Employment Law Standards and Labor Law Standards were approved by the LSBA HOD and the Board of Governors (BOG) at the Jan. 20, 2018, meeting. Both the Employment Law Standards and the Labor Law Standards had been approved by the HOD and BOG a year earlier at the Jan. 21, 2017, meeting without any opposition.

The HOD and BOG have now requested that the LBLS conduct further study on both the Employment Law Standards and Labor Law Standards, including whether

a majority of affected practitioners support the standards and whether concerns over discriminatory effects and unfair competitive advantages can be adequately addressed.

The LBLS has already held three public hearings. The first public hearing was Aug. 16, 2018, in New Orleans. LBLS Chair Carl J. Servat III presided over the meeting and board member William R. Corbett attended. The LBLS thanks LSBA President Barry H. Grodsky for his attendance and participation in the hearing and the interested members of the Bar who attended and voiced their opinions.


The second public hearing was Oct. 3, 2018, in Baton Rouge. LBLS board member William R. Corbett presided over this meeting. The LBLS thanks 2019-20 LSBA President-Elect Alainna R. Mire for her attendance and participation in the hearing, as well as the interested members of the Bar who attended and voiced their opinions.

The third public hearing was Feb. 12

in Lafayette. LBLS Chair Carl J. Servat III presided over the meeting and board member William R. Corbett attended. The LBLS thanks LSBA 2017-18 President Dona Kay Renegar for her attendance and participation in the hearing.

The purpose of the public hearings is to determine whether the LBLS Employment Law Standards and Labor Law Standards need to be revised based upon the Resolutions passed on Jan. 20, 2018. LSBA members also may submit comments concerning the LBLS Employment Law Standards and Labor Law Standards to Mary Ann Wegmann by email, [maryann.wegmann@lsba.org](mailto:maryann.wegmann@lsba.org), or by letter addressed to LBLS, 601 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA 70130.

The Standards may be reviewed on the LBLS website at: [www.lsba.org/goto/2018mclemploymentlawstandards](http://www.lsba.org/goto/2018mclemploymentlawstandards) and [www.lsba.org/goto/2018mclelaborlawstandards](http://www.lsba.org/goto/2018mclelaborlawstandards).

For more information, email Mary Ann Wegmann or visit the LBLS website at: [www.lascmcle.org/specialization/index.aspx](http://www.lascmcle.org/specialization/index.aspx). 

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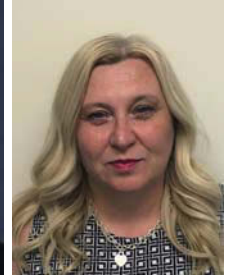
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In accordance with LSC's multiyear funding policy, grants are available for only specified service areas. On or around the week of March 11, 2019, LSC will publish the list of service areas for which grants are available and the service area descriptions at [www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant](http://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant).

[grant/lsc-service-areas](http://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant).

Applicants must file a Notice of Intent to Compete (NIC) and the grant proposal through LSC's online application system in order to participate in the grants process. The online application system will be available at [lscgrants.lsc.gov/EasyGrantsWebLSC/Implementation/Modules/Login/LoginModuleContent.aspx?Config=LoginModuleConfig&Page=Login](http://lscgrants.lsc.gov/EasyGrantsWebLSC/Implementation/Modules/Login/LoginModuleContent.aspx?Config=LoginModuleConfig&Page=Login) during the week of April 8, 2019.

Visit [www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant](http://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant) for filing dates, applicant eligibility, submission requirements, and updates regarding the LSC grants process. Email inquiries pertaining to the LSC grants process to [LSCGrants@lsc.gov](mailto:LSCGrants@lsc.gov). 

## LBF acknowledges sponsors of 33rd Annual Fellows Gala

The Louisiana Bar Foundation's (LBF) 33rd Annual Fellows Gala is Friday, April 5, at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans, 601 Loyola Ave. This year, the LBF is honoring the 2018 Distinguished Jurist D. Milton Moore III, Distinguished Attorney H. Bruce Shreves, Distinguished Professor Thomas C. Galligan, Jr. and Calogero Justice Award recipient Kendall Vick Public Law Foundation.

The gala begins at 7 p.m. and includes DJ Charles Belonge and a silent auction. Celebrate a special event or a loved one by dedicating a day in his/her honor with the interactive fundraiser "365 Days of Justice." A patron party will be held prior to the Gala.

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## More than \$100,000 awarded to La. non-profits

The Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) granted funding to several non-profits identified by local panels throughout the state. The LBF has nine regional Community Partnership Panels (CCP) which identify areas of need. The CPPs foster collaboration, respond to arising community needs, and encourage local involvement in the designation of grant funds. Each panel has an annual budget of \$15,000. Those CPPs that have not yet designated all of their funding will do so by June 30. Grantees are listed by region.

**Acadiana** ..... \$13,900  
Louis A. Martinet Society ..... \$3,500  
The Extra Mile ..... \$10,400

**Bayou Region** ..... \$15,000  
CASA of Lafourche ..... \$5,000  
CASA of Terrebonne ..... \$5,000  
The Haven ..... \$5,000


**Central Region** ..... \$15,000  
Teen Court of Avoyelles ..... \$6,500  
Children's Advocacy Network ..... \$6,755  
LBF Oral History Project ..... \$1,745

**Greater Orleans** ..... \$15,000  
CrescentCare ..... \$3,500  
Justice and Accountability Center... \$3,500  
Lower 9th Ward  
Homeownership Association ..... \$7,000  
Pink House ..... \$1,000

**Northeast** ..... \$15,000  
Acadiana Legal Service Corp. .... \$4,500  
Pine Hills Advocacy Center ..... \$10,000  
LBF Oral History Project ..... \$500

**Northshore** ..... \$15,000  
Children's Advocacy Center -  
Hope House ..... \$9,000  
Family Promise of St. Tammany ..... \$2,500  
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services ... \$3,000  
LBF Oral History Project ..... \$500

**Northwest** ..... \$11,575  
Volunteers for Youth Justice ..... \$10,000  
LBF Oral History Project ..... \$1,575

For the list of all grants, go to: [www.raisingthebar.org](http://www.raisingthebar.org). 

# LBLS accepting requests for certification applications

The Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization (LBLS) is accepting applications for certification in the new specialty of health law through March 31, 2019. The LBLS will accept applications for business bankruptcy law and consumer bankruptcy law certification through Sept. 30, 2019.

In accordance with the Plan of Legal Specialization, a Louisiana State Bar Association member in good standing who has been engaged in the practice of law on a full-time basis for a minimum of five years may apply for certification. Further requirements are that, each year, a minimum percentage of the attorney's practice must be devoted to the area of certification sought, and the attorney must pass a written examination to demonstrate sufficient

knowledge, skills and proficiency in the area for which certification is sought and provide five favorable references. Peer review is used to determine that an applicant has achieved recognition as having a level of competence indicating proficient performance handling the usual matters in the specialty field. Refer to the LBLS standards for the applicable specialty for a detailed description of the requirements: [www.lsba.org/goto/specialization](http://www.lsba.org/goto/specialization).

In addition to the above, applicants must meet a minimum CLE requirement for the year in which application is made and the examination is administered:

- ▶ Health Law — 15 hours of approved health law.
- ▶ Bankruptcy Law — CLE is regulated by the American Board of Certification, the

testing agency.

With regard to applications for business bankruptcy law and consumer bankruptcy law certification, although the written test(s) is administered by the American Board of Certification, attorneys should apply for approval of the LBLS simultaneously with the testing agency to avoid delay of board certification by the LBLS. Information concerning the American Board of Certification will be provided with the application form(s) and can be viewed online at: [www.abworld.org](http://www.abworld.org).

Anyone interested in applying for certification should contact LBLS Specialization Director Mary Ann Wegmann, email [maryann.wegmann@lsba.org](mailto:maryann.wegmann@lsba.org), or call (504)619-0128. For more information, go to the LBLS website link listed above. 📄

## SOLACE: Support of Lawyers/Legal Personnel — All Concern Encouraged

The Louisiana State Bar Association/Louisiana Bar Foundation's Community Action Committee supports the SOLACE program. Through the program, the state's legal community is able to reach out in small, but meaningful and compassionate ways to judges, lawyers, court personnel, paralegals, legal secretaries and their families who experience a death or catastrophic illness, sickness or injury, or other catastrophic event. For assistance, contact a coordinator.

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Baton Rouge Area	Ann K. Gregorie	(225)214-5563		<a href="mailto:ann@brba.org">ann@brba.org</a>
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For more information, go to: [www.lsba.org/goto/solace](http://www.lsba.org/goto/solace).

# Committee Preferences: Get Involved in Your Bar!

*Committee assignment requests are now being accepted for the 2019-20 Bar year. Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) President-Elect Robert A. Kutcher will make all committee appointments. Widespread participation is encouraged in all Bar programs and activities. Appointments to committees are not guaranteed, but every effort will be made to accommodate members' interests. When making selections, members should consider the time commitment associated with committee assignments and their availability to participate. Also, members are asked to list experience relevant to service on the chosen committees. The deadline for committee assignment requests is Monday, April 15. The current committees are listed below.*

## **Access to Justice Committee**

The committee works to ensure that every Louisiana citizen has access to competent civil legal representation by promoting and supporting a broad-based and effective justice community through collaboration between the Louisiana State Bar Association, the Louisiana Bar Foundation, Louisiana law schools, private practitioners, local bar associations, pro bono programs and legal aid providers.

## **Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse**

The committee protects the public by assisting, on a confidential basis, lawyers and judges who have alcohol, drug, gambling and other addictions. The committee works with the Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program, Inc. to counsel, conduct interventions and locate treatment facilities for impaired lawyers, and to monitor recovering attorneys and attorneys referred by the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board or Office of Disciplinary Counsel.

## **Bar Governance Committee**

The committee ensures effective and equitable governance of the association by conducting an ongoing evaluation of relevant procedures and making recommendations to the House of Delegates regarding warranted amendments to the association's Articles of Incorporation and/or Bylaws.

## **Children's Law Committee**

The committee provides a forum for attorneys and judges working with children to promote improvements and changes in the legal system to benefit children, parents and the professionals who serve these families.

## **Client Assistance Fund Committee**

The committee protects the public and maintains the integrity of the legal profession by reimbursing, to the extent deemed appropriate, losses caused by the dishonest conduct of any licensed Louisiana lawyer practicing in the state.

## **Community Action Committee**

The committee serves as a catalyst statewide for lawyer community involvement through charitable and other public service projects.

## **Continuing Legal Education Program Committee**

The committee fulfills the Louisiana Supreme Court mandate of making quality and diverse continuing legal education opportunities available at an affordable price to LSBA members.

## **Criminal Justice Committee**

The committee develops programs and methods which allow the Bar to work with the courts, other branches of government and the public to ensure that the constitutionally mandated right to counsel is afforded to all who appear before the courts.

## **Diversity Committee**

The committee assesses the level of racial, ethnic, national origin, religion, gender, age, sexual orientation and disability diversity within all components of the legal profession in Louisiana, identifies barriers to the attainment of full and meaningful representation and participation in the legal profession by persons of diverse backgrounds, and proposes programs and methods to effectively remove barriers and achieve greater diversity.

## **Ethics Advisory Service Committee**

The committee encourages ethical lawyer conduct by supporting the LSBA's Ethics Counsel in his/her provision of informal, non-binding ethics opinions to members of the Bar.

## **Legal Malpractice Insurance Committee**

The committee ensures the most favorable rates, coverage and service for Louisiana lawyers insured under the Bar-endorsed legal malpractice plan by overseeing the relationship between the LSBA, its carrier and its third-party administrator, and considers on an ongoing basis the feasibility and advisability of forming a captive malpractice carrier.

## **Legal Services for Persons with Disabilities Committee**

The committee provides members of the bench, Bar and general public with a greater understanding of the legal needs and rights of persons with disabilities, and helps persons with disabilities meet their legal needs and understand their rights and resources.

## **Legislation Committee**

The committee informs the membership of legislation or proposed legislation of interest to the legal profession; assists the state Legislature by providing information on substantive and procedural developments in the law; disseminates information to the membership; identifies resources available to the Legislature; provides other appropriate non-partisan assistance; and advocates for the legal profession and the public on issues affecting the profession, the administration of justice and the delivery of legal services.

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**Louisiana State Bar Association  
2019-20 Committee  
Preference Form**

**Medical/Legal  
Interprofessional  
Committee**

The committee works with the joint committee of the Louisiana State Medical Society to promote collegiality between members of the legal and medical professions by receiving and making recommendations on complaints relative to physician/lawyer relationships and/or problems.

**Outreach Committee**

The committee develops and implements sustained outreach to local and specialty bars throughout the state and increases awareness of the member services and benefits provided by the LSBA. The committee encourages member participation in all aspects of the LSBA and facilitates participation through the use of technology and other feasible alternatives.

**Practice Assistance and  
Improvement Committee**

The committee serves the Bar and the public in furtherance of the association's goals of prevention and correction of lawyer misconduct and assistance to victims of lawyer misconduct by evaluating, developing and providing effective alternatives to discipline programs for minor offenses, educational and practice assistance programs, and programs to resolve minor complaints and lawyer/client disputes.

**Committee on the  
Profession**

The committee encourages lawyers to exercise the highest standards of integrity, ethics and professionalism in their conduct; examines systemic issues in the legal system arising out of the lawyer's relationship and duties to his/her clients, other lawyers, the courts, the judicial system and the public good; provides the impetus and means to positively impact those relationships and duties; improves access to the legal system; and improves the quality of life and work/life balance for lawyers.

**Rules of Professional  
Conduct Committee**

The committee monitors and evaluates developments in legal ethics and, when appropriate, recommends changes to the Louisiana Rules of Professional Conduct; acts as liaison to the Louisiana Supreme Court on matters concerning the Rules of Professional Conduct; reviews issues of legal ethics and makes recommendations to the LSBA House of Delegates regarding modifications to the existing ethical rules; oversees the work of the Ethics Advisory Service and its Advertising Committee, Publications Subcommittee and other subcommittees; and promotes the highest professional standards of ethics in the practice of law.

**Transitioning Lawyers  
Committee**

The committee safeguards the public by educating members of the legal profession about age-related disabilities. The committee also helps attorneys suffering from impairments that prevent them from practicing law competently to transition out of the practice of law with dignity.

**Unauthorized Practice of  
Law Committee**

The committee protects the public from incompetent or fraudulent activities by those who are unauthorized to practice law or who are otherwise misleading those in need of legal services. 📄

*Indicate below your committee preference(s). If you are interested in more than one committee, list in 1-2-3 preference order. On this form or on a separate sheet, list experience relevant to service on your chosen committee(s).*

**Print or Type**

- Access to Justice
- Alcohol and Drug Abuse
- Bar Governance
- Children's Law
- Client Assistance Fund
- Community Action
- Continuing Legal Education Program
- Criminal Justice
- Diversity
- Ethics Advisory Service
- Legal Malpractice Insurance
- Legal Services for Persons with Disabilities
- Legislation
- Medical/Legal Interprofessional
- Outreach
- Practice Assistance and Improvement Committee on the Profession
- Rules of Professional Conduct
- Transitioning Lawyers
- Unauthorized Practice of Law

**Response Deadline: April 15, 2019**

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List (on separate sheet) experience relevant to service on the chosen committee(s).

# Focus on *Access to Justice*

For more information, visit [www.lsba.org/atj](http://www.lsba.org/atj).

## Three attorneys participating in LIFT Flood Proof Project

Three attorneys/Fellows are participating in the new Legal Innovators for Tomorrow (LIFT) collaborative incubator program in Baton Rouge, called the Flood Proof Project.

To meet the continued demand for heirship and property title work by disaster survivors in the Greater Baton Rouge area, Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS), Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center (LSU), Southern University Law Center (SULC), the American Bar Association Center for Innovation (ABA) and the Louisiana State



Cory A. Alford



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for disaster-related legal services. The program is designed to help attorneys develop their practices in a supported and collaborative environment.

Selected for the inaugural class of the 2019-20 LIFT

Bar Association's LIFT incubator program have partnered to offer new attorneys the opportunity to develop and grow their own solo practices that address the need

Flood Proof Project are attorneys Tiffany E. Monroe, Cherita R. McNeal and Cory A. Alford.

Monroe is a 2018 graduate of Southern University Law Center and is opening a solo law firm focusing on successions, wills, estate planning, intellectual property and tax law. A former engineer, she pursued the legal profession as a second career with the strategic goal of increasing access to affordable legal services.

McNeal and Alford are 2013 and 2015 graduates, respectively, of Southern University Law Center and plan to open a small law firm focused on estate planning, real estate, business and tax law. Both have dedicated their professional legal careers to public interest working with survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and abuse.

During the 18-month project, attorneys receive a \$10,000 stipend, free access to case management software and legal research programs, training, mentorship and court shadowing opportunities.

"Nearly three years after the catastrophic flooding in Baton Rouge, we continue to open new cases and provide solutions to help vulnerable survivors with emergency legal needs, long-term recovery and disaster resiliency. SLLS is excited to work on our second legal incubator project with the LSBA, and now with SULC, LSU and the ABA, to help new attorneys develop sustainable solo and small law firms that will increase disaster resiliency in Baton Rouge and eventually statewide," said SLLS Project Director Laura Tuggle. ■

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**FIND OUT MORE! CONTACT** Amy Duncan, LSBA Access to Justice Training & Projects Counsel, at [amy.duncan@lsba.org](mailto:amy.duncan@lsba.org) with any questions. Or for more information online, visit [www.lsba.org/ATJCommission/ModestMeans.aspx](http://www.lsba.org/ATJCommission/ModestMeans.aspx)

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# Southeast Louisiana Legal Service's Northshore Pro Bono Project celebrates 10 years

The Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS) Northshore Pro Bono Project celebrated its 10th anniversary on Feb. 22 in Covington.

The event recognized the efforts of pro bono attorneys who stand up for equal access to justice. Each year, these dedicated attorneys donate more than \$150,000 worth of legal services to help low-income families and vulnerable people overcome legal hurdles. They protect domestic violence survivors from abuse, help veterans access the resources they need, break down legal barriers to employment, and more.

To honor their achievements, Covington Mayor Mike Cooper proclaimed Feb. 22, 2019, as "SLLS Northshore Pro Bono Day."

During the event, the SLLS honored the Louisiana Bar Foundation's Northshore Community Partnership Panel for its ongoing commitment to increasing access to justice with the "SLLS Northshore Pro Bono Project Founder's Award." The event's speakers included Louisiana State Sen. Beth S. Mizell and several judges from the 22nd Judicial District Court.

SLLS is a nonprofit agency that provides free civil legal aid to low-income people in the 22 parishes in southeast Louisiana. To learn more about SLLS or its pro bono opportunities, visit its website, [www.slls.org](http://www.slls.org).



(Left) Southeast Louisiana Legal Services honored the Louisiana Bar Foundation's Northshore Community Partnership Panel for its ongoing commitment to increasing access to justice with the "SLLS Northshore Pro Bono Project Founder's Award." Panel member Patricia R. Bonneau, left, accepted the award on behalf of the panel. 22nd JDC Judge Dawn Amacker presented the award.

(Above) Louisiana State Sen. Beth S. Mizell was a guest speaker for the Southeast Louisiana Legal Services Northshore Pro Bono Project's 10th anniversary event.

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The Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS) Northshore Pro Bono Project celebrated its 10th anniversary on Feb. 22. Attending the event were, from row from left, 22nd JDC Judge Dawn Amacker; Paula M. Charles, SLLS managing attorney; Laura Tuggle, SLLS executive director; 1st Circuit Court of Appeal Judge Allison H. Penzato; Roxanne S. Newman, SLLS deputy director; and Elena M. Perez, SLLS managing attorney of pro bono program. Back row from left, Brandt M. Lorio, SLLS board member; Mark C. Surprenant, SLLS board president; Louisiana State Sen. Beth S. Mizell; Covington Mayor Mike Cooper; Kathryn Mitchell, SLLS; and Patricia R. Bonneau, Northshore Community Partnership Panel member.



# Focus on Diversity

For more information on items in this section, visit [www.lsba.org/diversity](http://www.lsba.org/diversity).

## Volunteer opportunities open for 2019 Suit Up for the Future Program

The Louisiana State Bar Association, in partnership with the Louisiana Bar Foundation and Just the Beginning, is again hosting the Suit Up for the Future program this summer, a free three-week legal institute for high school students and recent graduates interested in pursuing careers in the legal profession. The 2019 program is set for June 10-28.

During the program, students attend an abridged law school session, take field trips to law schools and courts, and participate in an internship consisting of shadowing at

area law offices and courts.


Legal professionals may participate in one of two ways.

► **Volunteer for one hour.** Attorneys are invited to volunteer their time from noon-1 p.m. to talk to the students about legal careers. Anyone interested in participating should email the Member Outreach and Diversity team at [diversity@lsba.org](mailto:diversity@lsba.org).

► **Shadowing opportunities.** During the program's second week (June 17-21), students will be assigned to "shadow" attorneys at firms, courts and organizations. This is an opportunity for the students to see

for themselves what attorneys do on a daily basis and to spend one-on-one time with attorneys in the workforce. Attorneys and firms interested in providing a shadowing opportunity for one or more students should email [diversity@lsba.org](mailto:diversity@lsba.org).

The program application deadline is May 10 for high school juniors, seniors and students entering their first year of college in fall 2019. Students may apply online at: [www.lsba.org/diversity/hsinternapp.aspx](http://www.lsba.org/diversity/hsinternapp.aspx).

For more information on the Suit Up For the Future Program, go to: [www.lsba.org/Diversity/DiversityStudentResources.aspx](http://www.lsba.org/Diversity/DiversityStudentResources.aspx). 

## Nominations accepted through June 30 for Citizen Lawyer Award

Nominations will be accepted through June 30 for the Louisiana State Bar Association's (LSBA) Citizen Lawyer Award, a service award that recognizes individual attorneys and judges who have performed public services out of a sense of duty, responsibility and professionalism.

In 2001, the LSBA instituted the Crystal Gavel Awards. This award program was updated in 2014 and renamed the Citizen Lawyer Awards.

To be nominated, the lawyer must be admitted to practice in Louisiana, and the


judge must have been elected or appointed to a state or federal court in Louisiana. Nominees must have made a difference in their local communities, in local organizations, or in the life of one person, and have served the public in a number of areas, including:

- Aiding the administration of justice.
- Assisting groups or individuals on a volunteer basis in a non-legal capacity.
- Educating the public or individuals or students about legal matters.
- Providing pro bono legal services in a matter of a significant nature, or in a significant number of cases, or in a way that significantly

changed the life of a person or group.

► Working in conjunction with the court system to make it more welcoming, inviting and understandable for jurors, witnesses or victims of crime.

Awards are presented in local communities throughout the state. There is no limit to the number of awards which will be presented, as the LSBA wishes to recognize all deserving individuals.

For more information about the award or to submit a nomination, go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CitizenLawyerAward>. Or email the LSBA's Member Outreach and Diversity Department at [outreach@lsba.org](mailto:outreach@lsba.org). 



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For latest news on diversity and inclusion in the profession, visit [www.lsba.org/diversity](http://www.lsba.org/diversity)

# Tulane University Black Law Students Association hosts BLSA Ball

The Tulane University Black Law Students Association hosted the BLSA Ball on Feb. 9 at the New Orleans Jazz Market. The ball was an opportunity to celebrate diversity and its impact on Tulane University and beyond. The ball was held in conjunction with the Black Alumni Reunion Weekend. 📷



Attending the Tulane University Black Law Students Association BLSA Ball were, from left, David A. Durand, Jr., Firstline Schools; Kesana B. Durand, grants administrator, Tulane University Law School; and Atia M. Moore Durand, attorney at law.



Attending the Tulane University Black Law Students Association BLSA Ball were, from left, Claris Smith, Cooper Law Firm LLC; Lezlie A. Griffin, assistant dean for career development and diversity initiatives, Tulane University Law School; Natalie Paul, Tulane University Law School (3L); and Courtney Fontaine, Tulane University Law School (1L).



Law students attending the Tulane University Black Law Students Association BLSA Ball included, bottom row from left, Tanisha Manning (2L) and Arielle Sims (1L). Second row, seated from left, Natalie Paul (3L), AsheLee Singleton (1L) and Amanda Taylor (2L). Third row, standing from left, Jordan Rice (2L), Marissa Etter (2L), Summer Roberson (1L), Sydney Tonic (1L), Tiarra Riggins (1L), Maya Rex (1L), Karli Wells (1L), Kai Johnson (1L) and Courtney Fontaine (1L). Back row, standing from left, Shane Thomas (1L), Chris Williams-Lopez (1L), Andrea Ewalefo (1L), Emma Connor (2L), Randolph McKinnie (2L), Kelli Slater (1L), Sydney Cunningham (2L) and Maseo Brown (2L).

## LSBA Member Services

The mission of the Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) is to assist and serve its members in the practice of law. The LSBA offers many worthwhile programs and services designed to complement your career, the legal profession and the community.

In the past several years, the legal profession has experienced many changes. The LSBA has kept up with those changes by maturing in structure and stature and becoming more diverse and competitive.



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Articles and photographs must be for individuals only. No group articles or group photographs will be used. But, as an **ADDED BONUS**, firms which have three or more arbitrators/mediators purchasing individual listings will receive a free **firm** listing in the section. (Firms are responsible for submitting the additional information, 150 words maximum.)

If you would like to repeat a prior listing and photo, you may send us a photocopy of that listing along with your check; please provide the year the listing appeared.

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• Or, mail your listing, photo, disk and check to the above address.

For more information, contact

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# Classified Advertisements

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