

# Committee Volunteer Form

Please circle the committee(s) you are interested in serving and return (please include your name).

## Administrative Committees

**Bylaws** - Review bylaws, draft amendments or recommendations for changes upon request of the TCBA Board of Directors.

**Judicial Evaluations & Polls** - Upon the request of the Board of Directors, develops and distributes a judicial candidate qualification and preference polls in election years, and in non-election years, a judicial evaluation poll. Assists in the distribution to TCBA members and the general public.

## CLE Committees

**All Star CLE Seminar** - Plans and conducts one full-day seminar for the Association.

**Bench Bar Conference** - Plans and conducts an annual Bench Bar Conference for the TCBA attorney and judicial members.

**Brown Bags Seminars** - Plans and conducts seminars on varying topics of interest to all members of TCBA.

## Communications Committees

**Editorial** - Assists the Editor and Staff Editor in publishing the Bulletin and soliciting legal articles for the publication.

## Community Service Committees

**Bears & Books Project** - Coordinates the collection of bears and books for National Adoption Day and the Family Courts.

**Big Brothers & Big Sisters** - Acts as liason between local law firms and the Big Brothers and Big Sisters agency (which matches adults in one-on-one mentoring relationships with local children) by opening doors for presentations about the program to potential mentors.

**Blood Drive** - Plans and coordinates the annual blood drive.

**Canned Food Drive** - Oversees the annual drive for the Tarrant Area Food Bank.

**Elder Law** - Presents program on various areas of law to senior citizen groups as requested using the TCBA Elder Law Handbook. Keeps the Elder Law Handbook updated according to the last Legislative Session and any changes. This committee is looking at working with Habitat for Humanity to provide Wills for new homeowners.

**Fee Arbitration** - Reviews and hears disputes between clients and attorneys regarding attorney fees. Also hears disputes between attorneys regarding fees.

**LegalLine** - Seeks volunteers for the bi-monthly LegalLine, a free call-in public service, and solicits sponsors for refreshments for volunteers.

**National Adoption Day** - Coordinates with other organizations in the planning of the adoption training sessions and the National Adoption Day event.

**People's Law School** - Plans and coordinates an annual event to provide free information and education on the legal system to the public.

**Texas Veterans** - Develop a network of lawyers to assist veterans who otherwise could not afford counsel and to develop and assist a pro bono legal clinic for veterans.

**Transition to Practice CLE Committee** - Plan CLE meetings for the mentor program in 2011.

**Trinity Habitat for Humanity** - Solicits funds and volunteers for the building of a Habitat Home. Obtains sponsors for meals provided for the volunteers during construction during the years the Association is building a home.

## Membership Committees

**50 Year Lawyer** - This committee plans the program to recognize local attorneys who have practiced law in Texas for 50 years.

**Diversity Program** - Promotes active involvement and participation of ethnic minority attorneys.

**Lawyer Referral & Information Service** - Reviews application and guidelines for membership in LRIS.

**Membership** - Promotes membership in TCBA and solicits new members. This committee is also responsible for new member benefits, reviewing proposals from vendors and promotes benefits and services for the membership.

## Social Events

**Court Staff Appreciation** - Assists in the selection of the recipients of the Outstanding Staff Awards.

**Docket Call Socials** - Coordinates bi-monthly socials, including seeking sponsors and securing locations.

**Holiday Party** - Plans and coordinates the annual Holiday Party.

**Law Day Awards Dinner** - Plans the annual awards dinner and coordinates with subcommittees of the various awards including Blackstone, Professionalism and Silver Gavel.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return the form to:

TCBA, 1315 Calhoun Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102-6504, fax the form to (817) 335-9238, or email to [cindy@tarrantbar.org](mailto:cindy@tarrantbar.org). (You must be a current member of the TCBA to serve).