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LSBA Young Lawyers Division’s 2023-24 Officers, Council Installed

NEW ORLEANS—The Louisiana State Bar Association Young Lawyers Division’s (LSBA YLD) 2023-24 officers and Council were installed June 8 at the LSBA Annual Meeting in Destin, Fla. Louisiana Supreme Court Chief Justice John L. Weimer administered the oath of office.

Senae D. Hall, an assistant district attorney in the Caddo Parish District Attorney’s Office in Shreveport, was installed as 2023-24 YLD chair.

Other officers sworn in include:
• Chair-Elect Kristen D. Amond, an attorney in New Orleans.
• Secretary Collin R. Melancon, a partner/owner of Mansfield Melancon Injury Lawyers in New Orleans.
• Immediate Past Chair Danielle L. Borel, an equity partner in the Baton Rouge office of the law firm Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson, LLP.

Installed as members of the 2023-24 YLD Council were:

District 1: Jennifer Gordon Lampton, research attorney for Judge Nakisha Ervin-Knott, 4th Circuit Court of Appeal, Division A, New Orleans; and Margaret L. Manning, an associate in the New Orleans office of the law firm Phelps Dunbar, LLP.

District 2: Rory V. Bellina, a partner in the Metairie office of the law firm Chehardy, Sherman, Williams, Recile & Hayes, LLP; and Rachal Cox Cassagne, an assistant United States attorney for the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, in New Orleans.

District 3: Jared E. Nelson, an associate in the Lafayette office of the law firm Liskow & Lewis, APLC.

**District 5:** Brad W. Cranmer, a partner in the Baton Rouge office of the law firm Mansfield, Melancon, Cranmer & Dick, LLC; and Quinn K. Brown, an associate in the Baton Rouge office of the law firm LaFleur Laborde, LLC.

**District 6:** Ashley U. Johnson-Firven, an associate in the Baton Rouge office of the law firm Hammonds, Sills, Adkins, Guice, Noah & Perkins, LLP.

**District 7:** Jasmyne A. McConnell, an attorney and owner of McConnell Law Group and Cajun Title Agency in Monroe.

**District 8:** Audrius M. Reed, a solo practitioner with Audrius M. Reed, Attorney at Law, LLC, in Shreveport.

**At-Large Representative:** Jasmine C. Cooper, an assistant district attorney for the Caddo Parish District Attorney’s Office in Shreveport.

**American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division Representative:** Josef P. Ventulan, a staff attorney with the Louisiana State Law Institute in Baton Rouge, a board attorney for the Louisiana Board of Tax Appeals and an adjunct professor with Southern University Law Center.

**Young Lawyer Member/American Bar Association House of Delegates:** Megan S. Peterson, a partner in the New Orleans law firm Simon, Peragine, Smith & Redfearn, LLP.

*Full bios of the Young Lawyers Division officers and Council members are available online at: https://www.lsba.org/YLD/YLDCouncil.aspx.*

*Photos of YLD officers and Council members are available online at: https://www.lsba.org/NewsAndPublications/PressPhotos.aspx?PRPA=112*

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