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LSBA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

First Board District

Lindsey A. Cheek

Cheek Law Firm, New Orleans. South Texas College of Law, Houston, Texas. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2012.

Thomas L. (Louis) Colletta, Jr.

Lugenbuhl, Wheaton, Peck, Rankin & Hubbard, New Orleans. Tulane University Law School. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2000. Also admitted in Texas and Alabama. LSBA — House of Delegates, 2015-present. Hearing Committee chair, Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board, 2020-present; assistant bar examiner, Constitutional Law, 2024-present. Louisiana Bar Foundation — Fellow; Greater Orleans Community Partnership Panel. Member — New Orleans Bar Association.

Fourth Board District

Todd S. Clemons

Todd Clemons & Associates, Lake Charles. Southern University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1987. LSBA — Board of Governors, 2019-22; House of Delegates, 2022-24. Member — Southwest Louisiana Bar Association, president, 2015; Louis A. Martinet Legal Society, Inc. Law school — *Law Review*; Moot Court Board.

Robert C. (Rob) McCorquodale

Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office, Lake Charles. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1990. LSBA — House of Delegates, several terms. Louisiana Bar Foundation — board member, 2015. Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board Hearing Committee chair. Southwest Louisiana Bar Association — founding board member; former president. Southwest Louisiana Bar Foundation — founding board member. Law school — Moot Court Board; Robert Tullis Moot Court semi-finalist.

Fifth Board District

Christopher K. (Chris) Jones

Keogh, Cox & Wilson, Ltd., Baton Rouge. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2002. LSBA — Young Lawyers Section Council, 2009-11; Leadership LSBA Class 2008-09; Disaster Legal Services Program participant. Baton Rouge Bar Association — board of directors, 2012-21, president in 2020; Young Lawyers Section Council, 2007-08. Federal Bar Association Baton Rouge Chapter, board of directors, 2012-17, president in 2016. Recipient — Young Lawyers Section Pro Bono Award, 2008; Baton Rouge Bar Association President's Award, 2013; Baton Rouge Bar Association Pro Bono Century Club Award, 2009.

Andrea V. Morrison

Attorney at law, Baton Rouge. Southern University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2010. Advanced law degree in taxation.

LSBA NOMINATING COMMITTEE

District 1A

Kristen D. Amond

Kristen Amond, LLC, New Orleans. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2016. LSBA — Chair, Young Lawyers Division, 2024-25; member, 2024 Strategic Planning Committee. Member — board member, Federal Bar Association New Orleans Chapter's Younger Lawyer Division.

Amber B. Garcia

Deutsch Kerrigan, LLP, New Orleans. Mississippi College School of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2012. LSBA — House of Delegates, 2023-present; Leadership LSBA Class, 2019; Ethics Advisory Service Committee, 2019-present; Environmental Law Section; Class Action, Mass Tort and Complex Litigation Section. Member — Women's Energy Network, 2015-present, chapter president in 2022-23; Defense Research Institute, 2015-present, leadership positions; American Bar Association, leadership positions; Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel, 2016-present, leadership positions; International Association of Defense Counsel, 2023-present. Law school — managing editor, *Law Review*, 2011-12; president, Women's Student Bar Association; vice president, Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association, Student Chapter; senator, Law Student Bar Association; Mississippi College School of Law Honor Court justice.

Nichole M. Gray

Johnson Gray McNamara, LLC, New Orleans. Loyola University College of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2009. LSBA — House of Delegates, 2023-present; Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee, 2015-present; Committee on the Profession, 2015-present; Continuing Legal Education Committee, 2014-16; Public Information Committee, 2014-16. Law school — *Law Review*.

Barry H. Grodsky

Taggart Morton, LLC, New Orleans. Tulane University Law School. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1982. LSBA — president, 2018-19; secretary and editor of the *Louisiana Bar Journal*, 2013-15; *Louisiana Bar Journal* Editorial Board; chair, Committee on the Profession, 2012-18 and 2019-present; chair, Law School Professionalism Programs; Nominating Committee, 2019-23; Budget Committee; Audit Committee; Strategic Planning Committee. President, Southern Conference of Bar Presidents, 2018-19. Board member — Louisiana Bar Foundation, 2018-19; Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program, 2017-18.

H. Minor Pipes III

Pipes Miles Beckman, LLC, New Orleans. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1996. LSBA — president, 2021-22; treasurer, 2016-

18; Board of Governors; Nominating Committee; House of Delegates; co-chair, LSBA's Summer School for Lawyers; member, Leadership LSBA Class, 2002. President, Louisiana Bar Foundation, 2015-16.

William E. Wildman

Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, New Orleans. Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2023. Advanced law degree in health law. Fellow, Louisiana Bar Foundation, 2023-present. Member — New Orleans Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, 2023-present; New Orleans Chapter of the Federal Bar Association Younger Lawyers Division, 2021-present; American Bar Association, 2021-present; Bar Association of the Federal Fifth Circuit, 2023-present; Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel, 2023-present. Law school — Order of Barristers, 2023; managing editor, *Loyola Law Review*, 2022-23; chair, Loyola Moot Court Board, 2022-23; president, Federal Bar Association, 2021-22; vice president, Student Bar Association, 2021-22.

Phillip A. (Phil) Wittmann

Stone Pigman Walther Wittmann, LLC, New Orleans. Tulane University Law School. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1961. LSBA — House of Delegates; Nominating Committee. President, New Orleans Bar Association. Law school — *Tulane Law Review* Board of Advisory Editors.

Jay C. (Chris) Zainey, Jr.

Lambert Zainey Smith & Soso, PLC, New Orleans. Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2008. LSBA — Board of Governors, 2022-present; Nominating Committee, several years; former member, House of Delegates; former chair, Community Action Committee; former member, Budget Committee. Member — Federal Bar Association, board of directors, 2022-present; Louisiana Association for Justice, Board of Governors, 2019-present; Loyola University College of Law Alumni board of directors. Adjunct faculty member, LSU Trial Advocacy Program. Law school — extern, U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Louisiana, 2006-07; volunteer, Thirst for Justice Legal Clinic and Katrina Law Clinic.

District 2A

Hon. Kelly E. Balfour

Judge, 19th Judicial District Court, Baton Rouge. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2001.

Carrie LeBlanc Jones

Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson, LLP, Baton Rouge. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2008. LSBA — Board of Governors, 2020-21, 2022-25; Leadership LSBA Class, 2013-14; *Louisiana Bar Journal* Editorial Board, 2019-21; Bar Governance Committee, 2021-present. LSBA Young Lawyers Division — chair, 2020-21; immediate past chair, 2021-22; chair-elect, 2019-20; secretary, 2018-19; District 5 representative, 2015-18. Member — Baton Rouge Bar Association Young Lawyers Section Council; American Health Law Association, 2023-present. Law school — LSU Law Student Bar

Association, 3L Class president, 2007-08, 2L Class representative, 2006-07, 1L Class representative, 2005-06.

Andrea V. Morrison

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District 3A

Shannon S. Dartez

Glenn Armentor Law Corp., Lafayette. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1994. LSBA — House of Delegates, 15th Judicial District; chair, House of Delegates Liaison Committee; former member, Board of Governors. Lafayette Bar Association immediate past president.

Jared E. Nelson

Galloway, Johnson, Tompkins, Burr & Smith, APLC, Lafayette. Southern University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2018. LSBA — Young Lawyers Division Council, District 3 representative, 2022-present; House of Delegates, 15th Judicial District, 2021-present; Leadership LSBA Class, 2019-20; co-chair, Leadership LSBA Class, 2020-21; Diversity Committee, 2019-present. Member — Lafayette Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, 2019-present.

District 3B

Kristie M. (Kris) Hightower

Lundy, LLP, Lake Charles. Mississippi College School of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2008. Law school — Student Bar Association; Guardian Ad Litem; Barbri representative.

John L. (Lee) Hoffoss, Jr.

Lee Hoffoss Injury Lawyers, LLC, Lake Charles. Southern University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2004. LSBA — Board of Governors, 2016-19; Nominating Committee, 2017-present; Young Lawyers Division chair, immediate past chair, chair-elect, secretary, 2012-16. Southwest Louisiana Bar Association — president, 2024; president-elect, 2023; treasurer, 2022; Executive Committee, 2020-present. Member — American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division, District 14 representative, 2011-12; Louisiana Association for Justice Executive Committee, 2021-present.

District 3E

Paul L. Hurd

Paul Loy Hurd, APLC, Monroe. Tulane University Law School. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1978. Licensed title insurance agent. LSBA — former Board of Governors member; House of Delegates.

C.A. (Hap) Martin III

Shotwell, Brown & Sperry, APLC, Monroe. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1980. LSBA — treasurer, 2024-26; secretary and *Louisiana Bar Journal* editor, 2021-23; Board of Governors, 2015-18; House of Delegates.

YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION COUNCIL**First District****Tori M. Howze**

Attorney at law, New Orleans. Southern University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2015.

Jennifer Gordon Lampton

4th Circuit Court of Appeal, New Orleans. Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2014. LSBA — Young Lawyers Division Council, District 1 representative, 2022-present; chair, Young Lawyers Conference, 2023; Leadership LSBA Class, 2019-20. Member — New Orleans Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, vice chair, 2023-present; Executive Committee, A.P. Tureaud American Inn of Court, 2023-present; Greater New Orleans Louis A. Martinet Legal Society, Inc., 2017-present.

Robert T. (Tate) Martin II

Galloway, Johnson, Tompkins, Burr & Smith, APLC, New Orleans. Tulane University Law School. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2018.

William E. Wildman

Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, New Orleans. Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2023. Advanced law degree in health law. Fellow, Louisiana Bar Foundation, 2023-present. Member — New Orleans Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, 2023-present; New Orleans Chapter of the Federal Bar Association Younger Lawyers Division, 2021-present; American Bar Association, 2021-present; Bar Association of the Federal Fifth Circuit, 2023-present; Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel, 2023-present. Law school — Order of Barristers, 2023; managing editor, *Loyola Law Review*, 2022-23; chair, Loyola Moot Court Board, 2022-23; president, Federal Bar Association, 2021-22; vice president, Student Bar Association, 2021-22.

Second District**Mary A. Engeron**

Wallace Meyaski, LLC, Chalmette. Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2020.

Conner J. LeBlanc

Attorney at law, Gonzales. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. MBA degree. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2020. Advanced law area in cybersecurity. Baton Rouge Bar Association — Young Lawyers Division, 2020-24; contributing author, *The Baton Rouge*

Lawyer, 2023; CLE by the Hour presenter, 2022-24; In-House Counsel Section member, 2020-24. Law school — president, Louisiana Business Law Society, 2018-20; LSU Law Center Board of Advocates, 2019; LSU Law Transactional Case Competition and Contract Negotiation finalist, 2019; Fordham National Sports Law Negotiation Competition, 2018; ABA Arbitration Competition, 2017.

Andrew A. (Andy) Maberry

Law Office of Glenn C. McGovern, Metairie. Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2019. Member — Jefferson Bar Association, 2022-23; Louisiana Association for Justice, 2022-24; Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit, 2023-24. Law school — Gillis Long Poverty Law Center summer internship, 2017, 2018; Stuart H. Smith Law Clinic, 2018, 2019; Gillis Long Social Justice Fellowship, 2019, 2020.

Diana L. Netteville

Attorney at law, Gretna. Appalachian School of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2015. Advanced law area in criminal law.

Fifth District

ReAzalia Z. (Re) Allen

East Baton Rouge District Attorney's Office, Baton Rouge. Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2015. LSBA — co-chair, Leadership LSBA Class 2021-22; member, Leadership LSBA Class, 2020-21. Member — vice president, Louis A. Martinet Legal Society, Inc. Greater Baton Rouge Chapter, 2023-24, secretary, 2019-23; Baton Rouge Bar Association Young Lawyers Section Council, 2021-22; Baton Rouge Bar Association Pro Bono Project, 2015-present. Law school — executive secretary, LSU Law Student Bar Association, 2014-15; secretary, LSU Law Black Law Students Association, 2014-15; national communications director, National Black Law Students Association, 2014-15; member, Public Interest Law Society, 2012-15.

Jovontee J. Curlee

Law Office of Jovontee Curlee, LLC, Baton Rouge. Southern University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2020. LSBA — Young Lawyers Conference Committee. Member — secretary, Louis A. Martinet Legal Society, Inc., 2023-present; Baton Rouge Bar Association, 2021-present, Publications Committee, 2021-present. Law school — secretary, Law Students Anonymous, 2016-19; Ladies on the Green, 2017-19; Pro Bono Project volunteer, 2016-19.

Mary Catherine Joiner

Bradley Murchison Kelly & Shea, LLC, Baton Rouge. Southern University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2019. LSBA — Bridging the Gap Seminar, 2019. Member — Baton Rouge Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, 2019-present; Foundation for Natural Resources and Energy Law, 2019-present; Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel, 2019-present. Law school — senior editor, *Southern University Law Review*, 2018, junior editor, 2017-18; student ambassador, Southern University Law Center Admissions, 2016-18; Foreign Study Committee chair, Southern University Law Center Student Bar Association, 2016-17.

James V. Petersen

Attorney at law, Madisonville. Southern University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2023. LSBA — Transition Into Practice participant, 2024.

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES

David F. Bienvenu

Simon, Peragine, Smith & Redfearn, LLP, New Orleans. Loyola University College of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 1980. LSBA — president, 1997-98. President, Louisiana Bar Foundation, 2004-05. American Bar Association — Louisiana delegate, House of Delegates; member, ABA Standing Committee on Public Education; Board of Governors; former chair, ABA Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service; former chair, ABA Committee on Disaster Response and Preparedness.

Nicole T. Bowyer

Tina L. Suggs & Associates, Metairie. Tulane University Law School. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2012. LSBA — Leadership LSBA Class, 2024-25; Access to Justice Committee.

Jacqueline M. Epstein

Epstein Law Firm, LLC, New Orleans. Georgetown University Law Center. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2009. LSBA — Leadership LSBA Class, 2014-15. American Bar Association — House of Delegates representative, 2020-22; Program Planning Committee officer, 2017-20; House of Delegates Impact and Resolutions Committee, 2020-22; Young Lawyers Division Liaison to the Commission on Women in the Legal Profession, 2016-17; Young Lawyers Division chair, Family Law Committee, 2016-17; Young Lawyers Division chair, General, Solo and Small Practice Law Committee, 2014-15.

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Deutsch Kerrigan, LLP, New Orleans. Mississippi College School of Law. Admitted to practice in Louisiana, 2012. LSBA — House of Delegates, 2023-present; Leadership LSBA Class, 2019; Ethics Advisory Service Committee, 2019-present; Environmental Law Section; Class Action, Mass Tort and Complex Litigation Section. Member — Women's Energy Network, 2015-present, chapter president in 2022-23; Defense Research Institute, 2015-present, leadership positions; American Bar Association, leadership positions; Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel, 2016-present, leadership positions; International Association of Defense Counsel, 2023-present. Law school — managing editor, *Law Review*, 2011-12; president, Women's Student Bar Association; vice president, Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association, Student Chapter; senator, Law Student Bar Association; Mississippi College School of Law Honor Court justice.

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