

Bar Briefs

Schexnayder, Johnson, Ashworth Nominated for LSBA Leadership Positions

Members Valerie T. Schexnayder of Baton Rouge and Adam P. Johnson of Lake Charles have been nominated for 2027-28 Louisiana State Bar Association president-elect and 2027-29 LSBA secretary, respectively. The LSBA’s Nominating Committee formulated these recommendations on Aug. 20 and presented its report to the Board of Governors on Aug. 21. The president-elect will automatically assume the presidency in 2028-29.

Valerie Schexnayder is a mediator with Schexnayder Mediation Services, LLC, in Baton Rouge, after practicing for 35 years with a large firm, a small firm and an international corporation in the areas of complex tort litigation and environmental litigation. Adam Johnson is a partner in The Johnson Firm in Lake Charles.

The Young Lawyers Division (YLD) Council nominated Taylor B. Ashworth of Port Allen for YLD secretary for the 2027-28 term. Current YLD Secretary Christina K. (Cristy) Chazan will automatically assume the post of 2027-28 YLD chair-elect.

Taylor Ashworth is an associate in the Baton Rouge office of Kean Miller, LLP and Cristy Chazan is an associate attorney



Valerie T. Schexnayder



Adam P. Johnson



Taylor B. Ashworth



Christina K.
(Cristy) Chazan

with Galloway Johnson Tompkins Burr & Smith in their New Orleans office.

Also nominated for two-year terms on the Board of Governors are Monica Hof Wallace from Loyola University College of Law, Donald W. North from Southern University Law Center and Amy E. Allums Lee from the Louisiana Law Institute.

Self-Qualifying Period Opens Sept. 14 and Ends Oct. 12

For the 2026-27 election cycle, balloting will be conducted electronically only, as approved by the LSBA Board of Governors and provided for in the Association’s Articles of Incorporation.

No paper ballots will be provided.

On Monday, Sept. 14, notice of the action of the Nominating Committee and self-qualification forms for positions on the Board of Governors, LSBA House of Delegates, Nominating Committee, Young Lawyers Division and American Bar Association House of Delegates will be provided to the membership.

Deadline for return of nominations by petition and qualification forms is Monday, Oct. 12. First election ballots will be available to members on Monday, Nov. 2. Deadline for electronically casting votes is Monday, Nov. 16.

According to the president-elect rotation,

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the nominee must have his/her preferred mailing address in Nominating Committee District 2 (parishes of East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Ascension, Assumption, East Feliciana, Iberville, Lafourche, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Washington, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana).

According to the secretary rotation, the nominee must have his/her preferred mailing address in Nominating Committee District 3 (parishes of Lafayette, Acadia, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, St. Martin, St. Mary, Vermilion, Allen, Avoyelles, Evangeline, Grant, LaSalle, Natchitoches, Rapides, Sabine, St. Landry, Vernon, Bossier, Caddo, Bienville, Caldwell, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, DeSoto, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Red River, Richland, Tensas, Union, Webster, West Carroll and Winn).

Other Positions Open

Other positions to be filled in the 2026-27 elections are:

Board of Governors (three-year terms beginning at the adjournment of the 2027 LSBA Annual Meeting and ending at the adjournment of the 2030 LSBA Annual Meeting) — one member each from the

Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Board Districts.

LSBA House of Delegates (two-year terms beginning at the commencement of the 2027 LSBA Annual Meeting and ending at the commencement of the 2029 LSBA Annual Meeting) — one delegate from each of the Twentieth through Forty-Second Judicial Districts; provided, that in every judicial district where there are more than three district judges, such judicial district shall be entitled to one additional delegate for each two additional judges; that in any district where this calculation results in a fraction, the number shall be rounded down.

Nominating Committee (15 members, one-year terms beginning at the adjournment of the 2027 LSBA Annual Meeting and ending at the adjournment of the 2028 LSBA Annual Meeting) — District 1A, Orleans Parish, four members; District 1B, parishes of Plaquemines, St. Bernard and St. Tammany, one member; District 2A, East Baton Rouge Parish, two members; District 2B, Jefferson Parish, two members; District 2C, parishes of Ascension, Assumption, East Feliciana, Iberville, Lafourche, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Washington, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana, one member; District 3A, Lafayette Parish, one member; District 3B, parishes of Acadia, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, St. Martin, St. Mary and Vermilion, one member; District 3C, parishes of Allen, Avoyelles,

Evangeline, Grant, LaSalle, Natchitoches, Rapides, Sabine, St. Landry and Vernon, one member; District 3D, parishes of Bossier and Caddo, one member; and District 3E, parishes of Bienville, Caldwell, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, DeSoto, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Red River, Richland, Tensas, Union, Webster, West Carroll and Winn, one member.

Young Lawyers Division Secretary (2027-28 term), nominee shall not be a resident of or actively practicing law in the parishes of Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard or Plaquemines, based on preferred mailing address. Petitions for nomination must be signed by 15 members of the Young Lawyers Division. Also to be elected, one representative each from the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth districts (two-year terms).

American Bar Association House of Delegates (must be members of the American Bar Association) — three delegates from the membership at large. The delegates will serve two-year terms, beginning with the adjournment of the 2027 ABA Annual Meeting and expiring at the adjournment of the 2029 ABA Annual Meeting, as provided in Paragraph 6.4(e) of the ABA Constitution.

For more information on the election procedures and the schedule, go to: www.lsba.org/goto/elections. 

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Interested in an Appointed LSBA Leadership Position?

Several Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) House of Delegates seats received no qualifiers by the qualifying deadline. These positions will be filled by presidential appointment. Members interested in being considered for appointment to these positions should email LSBA Governance Coordinator Jen France at jen.france@lsba.org. Available positions are listed below.

LSBA House of Delegates (June 2026-June 2028 term)

- ▶ First Judicial District: 4 appointments pending.
- ▶ Second Judicial District: 3 appointments pending.
- ▶ Fourth Judicial District: 4 appointments pending.
- ▶ Fifth Judicial District: 2 appointments pending.
- ▶ Sixth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Eighth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Tenth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Twelfth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Thirteenth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Fourteenth Judicial District: 7 appointments pending.
- ▶ Fifteenth Judicial District: 4 appointments pending.
- ▶ Sixteenth Judicial District: 2 appointments pending.
- ▶ Seventeenth Judicial District: 2 appointments pending.
- ▶ Eighteenth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Nineteenth Judicial District: 4 appointments pending.

The following vacancies in the LSBA House of Delegates are also open for appointments.

LSBA House of Delegates (June 2025-June 2027 term)

- ▶ Twenty-First Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Twenty-Sixth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Twenty-Seventh Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Twenty-Eighth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Thirtieth Judicial District: 3 appointments pending.
- ▶ Thirty-First Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Thirty-Second Judicial District: 4 appointments pending.
- ▶ Thirty-Third Judicial District: 2 appointments pending.
- ▶ Thirty-Sixth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Thirty-Seventh Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Thirty-Ninth Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.
- ▶ Forty-Second Judicial District: 1 appointment pending.

House Resolution Deadline is Dec. 29 for 2027 Midyear Meeting

The Louisiana State Bar Association's (LSBA) Midyear Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday through Friday, Jan. 27-29, 2027, at the Renaissance Hotel in Baton Rouge. The deadline for submitting resolutions for the House of Delegates

meeting is Tuesday, Dec. 29. (The House will meet on Friday, Jan. 29, 2027.)

Resolutions by House members and committee and section chairs should be mailed to LSBA Secretary Bradley J. Tate, 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 Dec. 29. Resolutions must be signed by the author. Also, copies of all resolutions should be emailed (in MS Word format) to LSBA Governance Coordinator Jen France at jen.france@lsba.org.



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Reminder: MCLE Compliance Deadline is Dec. 31, 2026

The deadline for earning mandatory continuing legal education credits is Dec. 31, 2026. The deadline for filing those credits or an exemption is Jan. 31, 2027.

For the 2026 compliance period ending Dec. 31, 2026, the limitation for computer-based CLE credits is set at 4 hours annually (as defined in Rule 3(d) of LASC Rule XXX). This includes interactive live webcasts, webinars and on-demand recordings.

Members who turn 65 on or after Jan. 1, 2026, are now required to complete 5 hours of CLE each year, including 1 hour of ethics and 1 hour of professionalism. All 5 hours may be earned through computer-based programming.

Louisiana State Bar Association members may review their transcripts online at the weblink below. Members are encouraged to check their records throughout the year to keep track of their compliance needs. Compliance deadline email reminders will

be sent periodically throughout the calendar year from the email address, compliance@lsbamembership.com.

Attorneys who are experiencing undue hardship should email MCLE Director Mindi Hunter, mindi.hunter@lsba.org, about the mitigating circumstances. An attorney experiencing serious medical or other issues may qualify for a waiver or some degree of relevant assistance to help reach the compliance requirement for the year.

Members who choose to take a course that is not already approved for Louisiana CLE credit should be certain that the sponsor of the course is able to verify attendance. But there is no guarantee that the course will be approved for Louisiana credit.

To review transcripts online, to search for Louisiana-approved CLE courses and for more information on Mandatory Continuing Legal Education, go to: www.lsba.org/MCLE/. 

LSBA YLD Professional Development Seminar

The LSBA Young Lawyers Division will host its annual Professional Development Seminar on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2026, from 8 a.m. to noon. This virtual program is tailored specifically for young lawyers seeking to enhance their skills, build confidence and strengthen their legal practice.

The seminar will offer up to four hours of CLE credit (pending approval) and features a dynamic lineup of speakers and sessions addressing topics essential to early-career attorneys. Registration is \$50 and includes webinar access and electronic course materials.

This event is open exclusively to young lawyers. Mark your calendar and stay tuned for more details on programming and registration at www.lsba.org/YLD. 



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La. Supreme Court Adds Rule Addressing Bail Revocation Procedures

The Louisiana Supreme Court has adopted a new section of Rule XXVII to clarify procedures for implementing Article 312.1 of the Louisiana Code of Criminal Procedure, which addresses bail revocation following certain subsequent felony arrests.

Article 312.1, enacted through Act 354 of the 2026 Regular Session, requires revocation of bail in certain circumstances when a defendant who is already on bail for a crime of violence, sex offense or firearm-related offense is subsequently arrested for an unrelated felony. The court noted that implementation of the law had created confusion, particularly regarding access to criminal history information across parishes and whether one court had authority to revoke bail set by another jurisdiction.

Under the new Rule XXVII, Section 4, a trial court is not required or authorized to

revoke bail issued by another jurisdiction. Instead, when a court determining bail becomes aware that previously set bail in another jurisdiction may need to be revoked, notice must be sent to the appropriate prosecuting authority and court. The originating court must then conduct an inquiry and take appropriate action.

The rule also addresses situations in which law enforcement cannot immediately confirm an individual's bail status outside its parish. In those cases, the court may schedule a contradictory hearing within 30 days rather than immediately revoking bail.

The rule takes effect Sept. 1, 2026. Read the order online at www.lsba.org/goto/2026lascrulexxvii or more about it on the Louisiana Supreme Court website at www.lasc.org. 

La. Supreme Court Amends Rule XXVII

The Louisiana Supreme Court has amended Rule XXVII to establish procedures for matters in which both a district attorney and the Louisiana attorney general are recused.

The amendment takes effect Aug. 1, 2026. The amended Rule XXVII provides a procedure for referring a matter to the Supreme Court when both officials are recused. See the text of the rule by visiting the Louisiana Supreme Court website at www.lasc.org/. 

La. Supreme Court Adds Commentary to Judicial Conduct Canon

The Louisiana Supreme Court has added commentary to Canon 3B(1) of the Louisiana Code of Judicial Conduct, providing examples of administrative conduct that may constitute a violation of the canon.

The list is expressly non-exclusive, meaning other conduct also could constitute a violation of Canon 3B(1). The commentary is intended to provide additional guidance regarding judges' administrative responsibilities under the Code of Judicial Conduct.

The change becomes effective upon signing. Read more about it at www.lsba.org/goto/2026lascjudicialcanoncommentary or on the Louisiana Supreme Court website at www.lasc.org. 

La. Supreme Court Amends Rule XIX to Allow Pro Bono, Community Service in Certain Disciplinary Matters

The Louisiana Supreme Court has amended Rule XIX, Section 10, to allow pro bono legal services or similar community service to be included as a condition in certain lawyer disciplinary matters.

Under the amendment, a lawyer may agree to complete a fixed number of hours of pro bono legal service or other community service as a condition of certain disciplinary dispositions. The Chief Disciplinary Counsel and Board Administrator are directed to establish rules for monitoring the

program and maintaining a list of approved participating organizations.

The service may include legal representation through an indigent defender board or legal services organization, as well as support services, and generally should be tailored to the lawyer's professional skills. The amendment became effective upon signing.

Read more about it at www.lsba.org/goto/2026lascrulexix or on the Louisiana Supreme Court website www.lasc.org. 

Louisiana Supreme Court Responds to Thomson Reuters C-Track Cyber Incident

The Louisiana Supreme Court is monitoring a cybersecurity incident involving Thomson Reuters' C-Track court case management system and has notified appropriate law enforcement authorities, the court announced Sept. 2.

West Publishing Corp., doing business as Thomson Reuters Court Management Solutions, provides C-Track case management software to courts across the country. Thomson Reuters announced Sept. 2 that a cyber incident had affected its C-Track environment. The Louisiana Supreme Court uses a customized version of the software for its internal case management system.

According to the court, documents, transcripts and pleadings are not stored within Thomson Reuters' C-Track environment, which significantly reduces the potential for data exposure. The incident currently appears to involve data stored on Thomson Reuters servers, and there is no evidence that Louisiana's own C-Track case management system was compromised.

Because Louisiana operates C-Track on premises, the court said it is "extremely unlikely" that personal information belonging to Louisiana residents was exposed. However, names of individuals involved in a small subset of confidential

matters could potentially have been visible to those responsible for the incident. The court is cooperating with law enforcement and continuing to monitor the situation.

The incident also serves as a reminder for LSBA members to remain alert for cybercrime, particularly phishing attempts or other messages seeking passwords, financial information or access to accounts. Attorneys should be cautious of unexpected emails containing links or attachments, verify unusual requests through a trusted method of communication and promptly report suspicious activity.

More information about the Louisiana Supreme Court is available at lasc.org. 

LBLS Board Certification Application Period Opens Nov. 1

The Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization (LBLS) will be accepting applications for board certification in seven (7) areas — appellate practice, employment law, estate planning and administration, family law, health law, labor law and tax law from Nov. 1, 2026 through Feb. 28, 2027. The LBLS is presently accepting applications for business bankruptcy law and consumer bankruptcy law certification from Jan. 1, 2026, through Sept. 30, 2026.

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 (5) 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, passing a written examination to demonstrate sufficient knowledge, skills and proficiency in the area for which certification is sought and five (5) favorable references. Peer review shall be 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. Please refer to the LBLS standards at www.lsba.org/documents/Specialization/PlanofLegalSpecialization2025.pdf for the applicable specialty for a more detailed description of the requirements for application.

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:

- ▶ Appellate Practice – 15 hours of appellate practice
- ▶ Employment Law – 15 hours of employment law
- ▶ Estate Planning and Administration – 18 hours of estate planning and administration
- ▶ Family Law – 15 hours of family law
- ▶ Health Law – 15 hours of health law
- ▶ Labor Law – 15 hours of labor law
- ▶ Tax Law – 18 hours of tax law
- ▶ Bankruptcy Law – CLE is

regulated by the American Board of Certification, the testing agency.

Approved specialization CLE courses may be viewed on the LBLS Approved Course Calendar at www.lsba.org/MCLE/MCLECalendar.aspx?L=S.

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 Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization simultaneously with the testing agency in order to avoid delay of board certification by the LBLS. Information concerning the American Board of Certification will be provided with the application form(s).

Anyone interested in applying for certification should contact LBLS Specialization Director, Mary Ann Wegmann, email maryann.wegmann@lsba.org, or call (504) 619-0128 for an application packet. For more information, please go to the LBLS website at www.lsba.org/Specialization/. 

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LBSL Accepting Bankruptcy Law Certification Applications Through Sept. 30

The Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization (LBSL) is accepting applications for certification in business bankruptcy law and consumer bankruptcy law through Sept. 30, 2026.

In accordance with the Plan of Legal Specialization, an LSBA 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 LBSL Bankruptcy Law Standards for a detailed description of the requirements: www.lsba.org/Specialization/BusinessBankruptcy.aspx?Area=Standards.

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. For bankruptcy law, CLE is regulated by the American Board of Certification, the testing agency.

In 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 LBSL simultaneously with the testing agency to avoid delay of board certification by the LBSL. Information concerning the American Board of Certification will be provided with the application form(s) and can be viewed at: www.abcwold.org.

For more information on the benefits of board certification, go to: www.lsba.org/specialization/BusinessBankruptcy.aspx?Area=Letter.

Anyone interested in applying for certification should contact LBSL Specialization Director Mary Ann Wegmann, (504) 619-0128, (800) 421-5722, ext. 128, or email maryann.wegmann@lsba.org. For more information, go to the LBSL website: www.lsba.org/specialization/. 

In 2026, Board Certified Specialists and Applicants Who Are 65 or Over May Earn All of Their Required Approved Specialization CLE Either in Person or Through “Computer-Based CLE” Credits

The Louisiana Supreme Court (LASC) amended Rule XXX of the Rules for Continuing Legal Education, modifying the long-standing age-based exemption for attorneys, by order dated Nov. 10, 2025. Under the revised rule, attorneys who turn 65 on or after Jan. 1, 2026, may earn all of their required CLE through computer-based programming. See the official notice at www.lsba.org/documents/Publications/2025MCLEOrderReAgeMCLE.pdf.

Considering the Nov. 10, 2025 order of the LASC, the Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization (LBSL) approved board certified specialists and applicants, who are age 65 or older in 2026, earning their required hours of specialization CLE either in person or online in 2026. For the 2026 compliance period ending Dec. 31, 2026, board certified specialists and

applicants, who are age 65 or older in 2026, are no longer subject to the limitation on “computer-based CLE” at four (4) hours annually. “Computer-based CLE” includes interactive live webcasts, webinars and on-demand recordings. The LBSL did not change any of the required number of specialization CLE hours for board certified specialists, no matter what their age. Board certified specialists and applicants, younger than 65 years old, remain subject to the limitation on “computer-based CLE” at four (4) hours annually.

For further information, 2025-26 LBSL Board Chair Robert G. Levy explains CLE requirements for board certified specialists in 2026 at www.lsba.org/documents/Specialization/2026ApplicantsUnder65.pdf. For more info visit www.lsba.org/Specialization/. 

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LSBA Francophone Section Participates in Revolutionary History Symposium

The LSBA Francophone Section will participate in a panel examining Louisiana's role in the American Revolution on Oct. 9 at 2 p.m. at the Hilliard Art Museum on the University of Louisiana at Lafayette campus. The program will be held during Festivals Acadiens et Créoles.

The panel, "Louisiana and the American Revolution: Rebellion, Resistance, and Cultural Survival," will feature Warren A. Perrin, Lt. Gen. Russel Honoré, Russ Godwin and Michael Martin.

The discussion will explore Louisiana's often-overlooked role in the Revolutionary era, including how Acadians, Creoles, Germans, Africans and Spaniards participated in resistance, armed struggle and regional defense and helped shape Louisiana's distinctive culture.

Perrin is the chair of the LSBA Francophone section and chair of the Acadian Museum of Louisiana and served as president of CODOFIL from 1994-2010. 📷

The LBF is Popping Up in Your Area!

The Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) is taking its annual Pop Up Tour across Louisiana this fall, with stops planned in communities throughout the state.

LBF President Michael J. Mestayer, Foundation leadership and staff will participate in the events, which give attendees an opportunity to connect with local professionals and organizations working to address civil legal aid needs in their communities.

Each Pop Up event includes a meal and offers one hour of professionalism CLE credit. The programs are open to anyone interested and are offered at no cost.

The 2026 tour schedule includes:

- ▶ Sept. 16 - Southwest Pop Up, Lake Charles
- ▶ Sept. 17 - Acadiana Pop Up, Lafayette
- ▶ Sept. 17 - Capital Area Pop Up, Baton Rouge
- ▶ Sept. 30 - Northshore Pop Up, Madisonville (closed)
- ▶ Sept. 30 - Greater Orleans Pop Up, New Orleans
- ▶ Oct. 1 - Bayou Pop Up, Thibodaux
- ▶ Nov. 4 - Central Pop Up, Alexandria
- ▶ Nov. 5 - Northwest Pop Up, Shreveport
- ▶ Nov. 5 - Northeast Pop Up, Monroe

Registration and additional information are available at raisingthebar.org/events-2/pop-up/. 📷

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TOP YOUNG LAWYERS

LSBA Young Lawyers Division Award Nominations

Deadline: November 5, 2026

Nominations are open for the Louisiana State Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division (YLD) awards. To be eligible for consideration, individual nominees must be current members of the YLD (attorneys who had not yet reached the age of 40 or who had been admitted to the practice of law for fewer than five years as of July 1, 2026) and who are in good standing. Prior winners of an individual award (Top 40 – now Top Young Lawyers, Outstanding Young Lawyer – now Young Lawyer of the Year, Pro Bono, Professionalism) are not eligible to be considered for that award again. Prior finalists of individual awards are eligible to be nominated again. The YLD Council selects award winners from recommendations made by a committee of young lawyers appointed from throughout the state.

AWARD DESCRIPTIONS

► **Top Young Lawyers Awards & Young Lawyer of the Year.** The Top Young Lawyers Awards, previously the Top 40 Award, are given to the state's top young lawyers. One lawyer will be recognized as the Young Lawyer of the Year, previously the Outstanding Young Lawyer Award. The Young Lawyer of the Year will be chosen from the submissions for the Top Young Lawyers Awards. (Top Young Lawyers Awards applicants will automatically be considered for Young Lawyer of the Year and do not need to separately apply.) In making award determinations, the YLD will consider the nominee's professional accomplishments; the nominee's exceptional contributions to the community, bar associations and the legal profession; the nominee's leadership; and the nominee's display of character, professionalism and ethics. **Previous recipients of the Top 40 and Outstanding Young Lawyer Award are not eligible to receive the Top Young Lawyers and Young Lawyer of the Year, respectively.**

► **Hon. Michaelle Pitard Wynne Professionalism Award.** This award is given to a young lawyer for commitment and dedication to upholding the quality and integrity of the legal profession and consideration towards peers and the general public. The YLD will consider the nominee's commitment to promoting respect for the legal system and profession by exhibiting the highest standards of competence, integrity, civility and ethics as well as a dedication to enhancing professionalism among lawyers.

► **YLD Pro Bono Award.** This award is given to a young lawyer for commitment and dedication to providing pro bono services in the community or the state beyond the nominee's primary job requirements. The YLD will consider the nominee's total number of pro bono hours per year; the impact of the nominee's pro bono work; and the nominee's ongoing contributions that have resulted in the increased access to legal services for Louisiana citizens.

► **Outstanding Local Affiliate.** This award is given to a local affiliate organization that has impacted the lives of young lawyers in an outstanding way. The YLD considers the organization's service to the public; the organization's service to the legal profession; the success of the organization's initiatives that serve the public and the profession; any challenges that the organization overcame; the organization's creative use of resources; the organization's efforts to involve young lawyers in programming and services; and the organization's commitment to inclusiveness and equity.

► **Program of the Year.** This award is given to an organization (bar association, firm or other entity) that has implemented an outstanding program or service that serves the public or the profession, enhances the lives of young lawyers, or was primarily planned by young lawyers. The YLD considers how the organization involves young lawyers; the organization's impact on the public and/or profession; and the organization's innovation, inclusiveness and success.

TO NOMINATE A YOUNG LAWYER

1. Fill out the LSBA Young Lawyers Division 2026 Awards Nomination Form by Nov. 5, 2026. The form asks why the nominee should be considered for the award and specifically addresses the award criteria. Additional attachments for all nominations are encouraged, including résumés, newspaper clippings, letters of support, and other materials pertinent to the nomination. Nominations should be detailed and thorough, as award selections are based solely on the information provided in the nomination packets.

2. Any nomination packet that is incomplete or not received by Nov. 5, 2026, will not be considered.

3. All finalists and winners will be recognized at the LSBA Young Lawyers Conference in Spring 2027.

**For questions or more information, contact the Awards Committee Chair
Jana Robinson at Jana.Robinson@drax.com or (318) 372-0382.**

**NOMINATE
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**OR VISIT:
www.lsba.org/yld**

Save the Date: Annual LBF Gala Set for April 16, 2027

The Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) will hold its 41st Annual Gala on Friday, April 16, 2027, at The Roosevelt New Orleans.

The event will recognize the 2026 Distinguished Honorees and the recipient of the Calogero Justice Award. The Gala, LBF's largest annual fundraiser, will begin with a Patron Party at 6:30 p.m., followed by the formal program.

Additional information is available at raisingthebar.org or by contacting the Louisiana Bar Foundation at (504) 561-1046 or gala@raisingthebar.org. 

LBF Names 2026-27 Community Partnership Panel, Committee Chairs

Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) President Michael J. Mestayer has appointed Fellows to chair the Foundation's nine Community Partnership Panels and its standing committees and subcommittees for 2026-27.

The Community Partnership Panels bring together LBF Fellows from regions throughout Louisiana to help identify and address civil legal needs in their communities.

"By addressing the civil legal needs of our population, we have the ability to effect real change," Mestayer said. "We have the opportunity to right wrongs, to better people's lives, and to seek true justice."

The 2026-27 Community Partnership Panel chairs are Hon. Roya S. Boustany of Lafayette, Acadiana; Hon. Vanessa Guidry-Whipple of Houma, Bayou Region; Deidre Deculus Robert of Baton Rouge, Capital Area; Allison P. Nowlin of Alexandria, Central; Thomas L. Colletta, Jr., of New Orleans, Greater Orleans; Ashley S. Herring of Monroe, Northeast; Patricia R. Bonneau of Mandeville, Northshore; Allison C. Foster

of Shreveport, Northwest; and Hon. Cynthia Clay Guillory of Lake Charles, Southwest.

More information about the LBF Community Partnership Panels is available at raisingthebar.org/community-partnership-panels/.

Mestayer also appointed chairs for the Foundation's standing committees and development subcommittees.

Committee and subcommittee chairs are George D. "Dave" Ernest III of Lafayette, Communications and Education; Brooke C. Tigchelaar of New Orleans, Development Subcommittee — Gala; Monica M. Vela Vick of New Orleans, Development Subcommittee — Membership; Colleen C. Jarrott of Washington, D.C., Finance and Investment; Edmund J. Giering IV of Baton Rouge, Governance; Charles C. Bourque, Jr. of Houma, Grants; and Shayna L. Sonnier of Lake Charles, Grantee Audit & Training.

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Mestayer to Lead the Louisiana Bar Foundation 2026-27 Board

Michael J. Mestayer of New Orleans has been installed as president of the Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) for 2026-27.

Joining Mestayer as officers are Vice President Charles C. Bourque, Jr., of Houma; Treasurer Colleen C. Jarrott of Washington, D.C.; and Secretary George D. Ernest III of Lafayette. The 2026-27 board was installed during the LBF's 40th Anniversary Gala by Louisiana Supreme Court Associate Justice Piper D. Griffin and Justice John M. Guidry.

Mestayer is a solo practitioner in New Orleans whose practice includes admiralty, product liability and complex civil litigation. He received his BS from LSU and his JD from Tulane University Law School. He also is an adjunct faculty member at Tulane University Law School, where he teaches Solo and Small Firm Practice.

Bourque is a partner in the Houma law firm of St. Martin & Bourque. He received a degree in accounting from LSU and his JD from Loyola University New Orleans College of Law in 1990. Before attending law school, he served as an officer and helicopter pilot in the U.S. Army and continued flying helicopters in the Louisiana Army National Guard until retiring as a lieutenant colonel in 2011.

Jarrott is a senior director with Clark Hill Public Strategies in Washington, D.C. She represents clients in the oil and gas, natural resources, renewable energy, transportation and other industries in matters involving transactions, contract negotiations, regulatory compliance and defense, and complex commercial litigation. She received her BA and JD from The Catholic University of America.

Ernest is a shareholder with Hurlburt, Monroe & Ernest in Lafayette, where his practice focuses on defense casualty litigation. He graduated summa cum laude from LSU and received his JD from the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Following law school, he clerked for the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals. He has served as chair of the Lafayette Bar Foundation and president of the Lafayette/



Swearing In-The 2026-27 LBF Officers being sworn in at the 40th Anniversary Gala. Pictured L-R, Michael J. (Mike) Mestayer, Colleen C. Jarrott, Charles C. (Chuck) Bourque, Jr., George D. (Dave) Ernest III and Justice Piper D. Griffin. Photo by Patrick Niddrie.

Acadiana Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. He currently chairs the board of Acadiana Legal Service Corporation and serves on the boards of the Lafayette Bar Foundation and Lafayette/Acadiana Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. He received the Louisiana State Bar Association's Friend of Pro Bono Award in 2022 and the LBF President's Award in 2026.

New members of the 2026-27 LBF Board of Directors are Kristen D. Amond and Larry J. Centola III, both of New Orleans; Stacy L. Guice of Monroe; and Shayna L. Sonnier of Lake Charles.

Other members of the board are Mark L. Barbre, Baton Rouge; G. Adam

Cossey, Monroe; Edmund J. Giering IV and Christopher B. Hebert, both of Baton Rouge; Camille R. Jackson, Alexandria; Jonathan L. Johnson, Lake Charles; Jason A. Matt, Lafayette; Paula E. Miles, Gonzales; Sheri M. Morris, Baton Rouge; Kelly M. Rabalais, Covington; Anthony J. Staines, Metairie; Hon. Raymond S. Steib, Jr., Gretna; Hon. Karelia R. Stewart, Shreveport; and Brooke C. Tigchelaar, New Orleans.

The Louisiana Bar Foundation is a statewide funder of civil legal aid programs and initiatives designed to improve access to the civil justice system for Louisiana residents. 📺



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Monday, October 5, 2026

St. Louis Cathedral

Guest Homilist: Archbishop James F. Checchio

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Mass 9:30 a.m.

Followed by a Reception at Bourbon Orleans Hotel





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Building Capital Development

\$226,988

Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$50,000
Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center	\$19,334
Lafayette Bar Foundation	\$12,588
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law	\$50,000
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$23,935
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$21,131
The Wellspring Alliance for Families	\$50,000

Children's Legal Services

\$400,000

Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center	\$5,000
Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans	\$60,000
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge	\$50,000
Disability Rights Louisiana	\$50,000
Family and Youth Counseling Agency	\$20,000
First Grace Community Alliance	\$65,000
Louisiana Center for Children's Rights	\$55,000
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law	\$30,000
T.E.A.M.S.	\$45,000
Whistle Stop	\$20,000

Domestic Violence Programs

\$1,500,000

Beauregard Community Concerns	\$44,000
Chez Hope, Inc.	\$119,500
D.A.R.T (Domestic Abuse Resistant Team)	\$69,000
Faith House, Inc.	\$124,000
Family and Youth Counseling Agency, Inc.	\$14,000
Family Justice Center of Central Louisiana	\$157,000
Family Violence Program of St. Bernard	\$49,000
Jeff Davis Communities Against Domestic Abuse	\$24,000
Metro Centers for Community Advocacy	\$91,000
Oasis A Safe Haven	\$48,000
Project Celebration, Inc.	\$97,000
Project SAVE	\$169,000
Safe Harbor	\$49,000
Southeast Spouse Abuse Program	\$125,000
The Haven, Inc.	\$144,000
The Wellspring Alliance For Families	\$176,500

Law-Related Education

\$275,000

Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$55,000
Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center	\$30,000
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge	\$52,500
Dillard University	\$6,000
Emergency Legal Responders	\$5,000
Family and Youth Counseling Agency	\$2,500

Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education	\$60,000
Louisiana State Bar Association Diversity Committee	\$1,500
Louisiana State Bar Association Young Lawyers Division	\$10,000
Workplace Justice Project	\$2,500
Youth Service Bureau of St. Tammany	\$50,000

Legal Services Corporations

\$4,000,000

Acadiana Legal Service Corporation	\$1,985,624
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$2,014,376

My Community Cares

\$375,000

Fostering Community	\$75,000
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law	\$75,000
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$75,000
The Extra Mile	\$75,000
The Wellspring Alliance for Families	\$75,000

Other Legal Services

\$845,000

Catholic Charities of North Louisiana	\$119,728
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge	\$115,270
Disability Rights Louisiana	\$74,680
Eden Centers for Hope and Healing	\$4,680
Frontline Legal Services, Inc.	\$74,680
Justice and Accountability Center of Louisiana	\$99,680
Louisiana Center for Children's Rights	\$38,270
Louisiana Guardianship Services, Inc.	\$29,680
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law	\$34,680
NO/AIDS Task Force dba CrescentCare	\$90,062
Southwest Louisiana Law Center	\$34,680
St. Frances Cabrini Immigration Law Center	\$79,680
The Ella Project	\$17,680
Workplace Justice Project	\$31,550

Pro Bono Projects

\$1,350,000

Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$211,000
Central Louisiana Pro Bono Project, Inc	\$97,710
Lafayette Bar Foundation	\$145,000
Northeast Louisiana Bar Foundation	\$124,000
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$205,000
Southwest Louisiana Bar Foundation	\$128,290
The Pro Bono Project	\$439,000

Access to Justice Fund Grants

\$50,000

Disability Rights Louisiana	\$21,550
Lagniappe Law Lab - Disaster Hotline	\$3,000
Lagniappe Law Lab - Navigator	\$20,000
Louisiana Appleseed	\$5,450

Kids' Chance Scholarships

\$45,500

Loan Repayment Assistance Program

\$96,833

Pro Hac Vice

\$100,000

Special Program and Project Grants

\$715,000

Lagniappe Law Lab	\$465,000
Louisiana Appleseed	\$250,000

State of Louisiana Child in Need of Care and Adult Civil Legal Aid Services

\$4,084,853

Jock Scott Community Partnership Panel Grants

\$270,000

As of July 2026

Focus on *Access to Justice*

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Limited Scope Representation Offers Expanded Opportunities for Attorneys, Clients

The Access to Justice Commission's Modest Means Committee hosted Limited Scope, Unlimited Potential: Rethinking How You Deliver Legal Services at Southern University Law Center on August 5, 2026. The hybrid CLE provided Louisiana attorneys with practical guidance on incorporating limited scope representation (LSR) into their practices as a sustainable business model while expanding access to justice.

The program featured a variety of perspectives on implementing LSR. Professor Virginia D. B. Listach and members of the Modest Means Committee shared their experiences successfully integrating LSR services into their practices. Austin H. Benton demonstrated technology and practice-management tools that can help attorneys deliver LSR services more efficiently and effectively. Judge Erika L. Green, Judge Cynthia Clay Guillory and Judge Patrice W. (Patti) Oppenheim offered valuable insight into how limited scope representation is viewed and implemented from the bench, while Eric K. Barefield discussed the ethical considerations and potential pitfalls attorneys should consider when offering LSR services.

Approximately 150 attorneys attended the program, reflecting a strong interest in innovative service models that help attorneys better serve clients while increasing access to legal services for moderate-income Louisianans.

Attorneys interested in expanding their practices by offering LSR services are encouraged to join the Modest Means Directory, which can connect participating attorneys with clients seeking affordable legal services while helping expand access to justice across Louisiana. You can learn more or join the Modest Means Directory here: www.lsba.org/Public/FindLegalHelp/ModestMeans.aspx. 



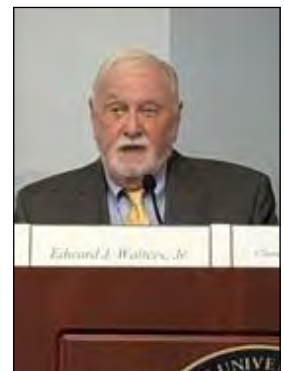
Amy E. Duncan, ATJ Director; Hon. Cynthia Clay Guillory, 14th JDC; Hon. Erika L. Green, Family Court for East Baton Rouge Parish; Prof. Virginia D. B. Listach, Southern University Law Center



(above): Gwendolyn M. Collins-Greenup; Alexandra Camille Patti; and Prof. Virginia D. B. Listach, Southern University Law Center.



(left): Chancellor Alvin R. Washington, Southern University Law Center.



(right): Edward J. Walters, Jr., LSBA Immediate Past President; Walters, Thomas, Cullens, LLC.

Attorney Volunteers Needed for 2026 Lawyers in Libraries Events; Sign-up Deadline Sept. 25

For the past 13 years, the Louisiana State Bar Association, the Louisiana Library Association, the State Library of Louisiana, the Law Library of Louisiana and local libraries have hosted “Lawyers in Libraries” events during National Celebrate Pro Bono Week. Several Lawyers in Libraries events are set for the week of Oct. 26-31, 2026 in conjunction with National Celebrate Pro Bono Week. The deadline to sign up is Sept. 25.

During this week, LSBA members and libraries across Louisiana came together to provide free, limited services to the public in-person and virtually. There are a variety of ways attorneys can get involved to give back to their community.

Meet library patrons in person or by phone for brief legal consultations, sign up as an on-call backup volunteer or assist at a

wills clinic (happening in limited areas). Prefer a virtual format? Present a monthly Zoom webinar on a legal topic of your choice. Most sessions are scheduled in convenient two-hour time slots.

Individual events are scheduled based on attorney preference and library availability.

Virtual event volunteers are also needed so when filling out the form, make sure to select “Virtual Calendar” from the drop-down menu.

Visit www.lsba.org/LouisianaLawyersinLibraries for information on this year’s events. To volunteer for the program, go to: <https://lil.ivolunteer.com/2026>. For more information, review the Lawyers in Libraries guide online at: www.lsba.org/documents/ATJ/LilGuideforAttorneys.pdf. 

October 26-31, 2026

Ways to volunteer this year:

**Ask-a-Lawyer In-Person • Ask-a-Lawyer Session by phone
Wills & Legacy Planning Clinic (in limited areas) • On-Call
Virtual Legal Presentation • LA.FreeLegalAnswers.org**

Sign up at lil.ivolunteer.com/2026
Deadline for signing up is September 25

**For more information, visit
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LAWYERS IN LIBRARIES

Focus on Diversity

For more information on items in this section, visit www.lsba.org/diversity.

LSBA NEW ADMITTEES *Reception*

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Specialty Bars Reception – June 1, 2026

On June 1, 2026, the LSBA Diversity Committee's Specialty Bars Subcommittee held a reception at Hotel Effie Sandestin, Ara Rooftop Pool and Lounge. The Specialty Bars Reception was held in conjunction with the LSBA Annual Meeting and featured an evening of networking. 📷



Hon. Jerry Edwards, U.S. District Court, Western District of Louisiana, Alexandria; Brian P. Wiggins, Judicial Administrator, Louisiana Supreme Court, New Orleans; Hon. Karelia R. Stewart, 1st JDC, Division D, Shreveport; Justice Piper D. Griffin, Louisiana Supreme Court, 7th District, New Orleans; Hon. Tiffany G. Chase, 4th Circuit Court of Appeal, Division B, New Orleans; Hon. Roger P. Hamilton, Jr., 16th JDC, Division H, New Iberia.



Justice Piper D. Griffin, Louisiana Supreme Court, 7th District, New Orleans; Kim M. Boyle, Partner, Phelps, New Orleans; Hon. Tiffany G. Chase, 4th Circuit Court of Appeal, Division B, New Orleans.

LGBT Legal Issues CLE Seminar – June 13, 2026

On June 13, 2026, the LSBA Diversity Committee's LGBT Subcommittee hosted a CLE seminar titled LGBT Legal Issues CLE Seminar. The seminar provided four hours of CLE credit and featured multiple sessions led by legal professionals who discussed legal issues impacting the LGBTQ+ community. 📷



Nicholas J. Hite, Senior Attorney and McDonald/Wright Distinguished Counsel, Lambda Legal Defense & Education, Dallas, Tx.



Todd G. Brower, Professor of Law - Emeritus, Western State College of Law, Irvine, Ca.



Tyler J. Arbour, Bondurant Law, Covington



Shannon T. Mathew, Staff Attorney, Orleans Public Defenders, New Orleans; Matthew S. Kellner, Training Supervising Attorney, Orleans Public Defenders, New Orleans.

Specialty Bars CLE Seminar – Dec. 18, 2025

On Dec. 18, 2025, the Louisiana State Bar Association Diversity Committee's Specialty Bars Subcommittee and the Louis A. Martinet Legal Society, Inc., Greater Lafayette Chapter hosted a CLE seminar in conjunction with a networking reception. The CLE seminar featured Brianne A. Hemmans, Deputy Disciplinary Counsel, Office of the Disciplinary Counsel; Hon. Valerie G. Garrett, 15th Judicial District Court, and Dr. Angela White-Bazile, Executive Director, Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program. The event was held at the Downtown Convention Center in Lafayette, Louisiana. 📷



Brianne A. Hemmans, Deputy Disciplinary Counsel, Office of the Disciplinary Counsel, Baton Rouge.



Hon. Valerie G. Garrett, 15th Judicial District Court, Division B, Lafayette; Dr. Angela White-Bazile, Executive Director, Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program (JLAP), New Orleans.

2027 EXPERT WITNESS, CONSULTANT AND LEGAL SERVICES DIRECTORY

The Louisiana State Bar Association is publishing its Expert Witness, Consultant and Legal Services Directory. The supplement to the *Louisiana Bar Journal* will be printed separately and shrink-wrapped for mailing with the December 2026/January 2027 *Louisiana Bar Journal*. The directory is published annually, guaranteeing a year's worth of exposure in print and on the LSBA website.

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