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Re: Section Name Change, Individual Rights & Responsibilities -> Civil Rights & Social Justice

Tracy,

I appreciate your time just now. Per our conversation, the Individual Rights & Responsibilities Section of the State Bar of Texas proposes changing its name to the Civil Rights & Social Justice Section. This proposal is not made lightly but comes after several meetings and months of discussions among our leadership group. While several alternatives were considered, including making no change or a limited change to the "Civil Rights Section," our Section chose the proposed name change in large part because it (1) mirrors the equivalent section of the ABA and (2) more closely aligns our name with the law journal we help underwrite each year at the University of Texas School of Law, the Texas Journal on Civil Liberties & Civil Rights.

Ultimately it is our hope that this change will help boost our Section's membership, which I believe is currently the State Bar's second lowest. I also support this proposal in my capacity as Representative to District 26, covering North & West Texas, to the ABA's Young Lawyer Division. Our Section is and always will be committed to non-partisan study and advancement of the law. I look forward to addressing and, most importantly, listening to the group's comments on Friday.

Respectfully,

JAY FORESTER,
IRR SECTION CHAIR & ABA YLD DISTRICT 26 REPRESENTATIVE

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