

STATE BAR of TEXAS Sections

New Officers Orientation

Friday, August 15, 2025 | 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Materials: [TexasBarSections.com/Orientation2025](https://www.texasbarsections.com/orientation2025)

10:00	Welcome & Introductions	Lyndsay Jackson, Sections Department Director
10:10	Executive Director's Update	Trey Apffel, Executive Director
10:15	President's Update	Santos Vargas, President
10:20	A Year in the Life of a Section Chair	Brandy Wingate Voss, Section Rep. Chair
10:40	The Legal Essentials	Chris Ritter, Chief Legal Counsel
11:00	Legislative Program	KaLyn Laney, Deputy Executive Director
11:05	Introduction to Accounting for Sections	Tracy Jarratt, CFO Marni Fidler, Sections Accounting Manager
11:20	Understanding Budgeting, Financial Statements, and Treasurer Best Practices	Kokila Sundaram, Senior Accountant Myo Tin, Controller
11:40	Partnering with TYLA	Alyson Martinez, TYLA President
11:45	Archives 101	Trina Purcell, Archives Director
11:55	State Bar Annual Meeting	Lyndsay Jackson, Sections Department Director
12:00	Eblasts & Newsletters	Jake Stoffle, Sections Meeting & Program Planner
12:10	A Look at Your Section Membership Stats	Lyndsay Jackson, Sections Department Director
12:30	Lunch	
1:00	Section Break-Out Discussions	Led by your Section Representatives
1:40	Event Timelines	Amy Torres, Sections Meeting & Program Planner
1:50	What Things Should Cost	Abigail Harrington, Sections Meeting & Program Planner
2:00	Chairing Effective Meetings	Pierre Grosdidier, Section Rep. Vice Chair
2:20	Sections Guide to a Successful Year	Lyndsay Jackson, Sections Department Director
2:50	Q&As	
3:00	Adjourn	