

# TOPEKA BAR ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

The TBA appreciates our members' expertise, talents and interests to strengthen the association. Please indicate the committee(s) you are interested in joining.

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- Bench and Bar Committee. Works for the improvement of the legal and judicial systems through cooperation with the judiciary by serving as liaison between the bench and bar.
- Continuing Legal Education Committee. Plans and presents CLE programs for the association.
- Criminal Law Committee. Works to improve criminal justice administration in Topeka and Shawnee County. Committee membership is open to all attorneys involved in the criminal justice system, including those serving as prosecutors and those providing defense services.
- Family Law Committee. Responsible for the improvement of the practice of family law through cooperation with the judiciary. Suggests revisions and improvements in the Shawnee County Family Law Guidelines.
- Law Day Committee. Responsible for activities relating to Law Day, including the Liberty Bell Award.
- Lawyers' Assistance Committee. Provides assistance to any attorney needing help by reason of a mental or physical infirmity or disorder or addiction to or excessive use of drugs or intoxicants.
- Legislative Committee. Responsible for matters relating to legislation, including consideration of proposed amendments to existing laws, as may be requested by the Board of Directors.
- Medical-Legal Committee. Takes charge of matters relating to the interaction of the medical and legal communities. Assists in resolution of conflicts between healthcare providers and attorneys.
- Membership Committee. Encourages membership in the TBA by developing new ways to attract members.
- Memorials Committee. Prepares and presents memorials in honor of deceased members of the Association.
- Naturalization Committee. Provides the speaker, musical entertainment and a formal color guard for the official naturalization ceremonies in the United States District in Topeka.
- Probate Committee. Serves as liaison between the bench and bar on probate matters.
- Professional Ethics and Grievance Committee. Investigates or assists in the investigation of all complaints or reports relating to misconduct of any attorney referred to it by the Disciplinary Administrator.
- Program and Entertainment Committee. Provides luncheon speakers for the monthly luncheon meetings. Plans programs for other social events of the Association.
- Public Relations Committee. Works to improve the relationship of the Association with the public.
- Public Service Committee. Serves as liaison between the Association and the Legal Aid Society of Topeka and provides ongoing support for an encouragement of all pro bono activities of the members of the TBA.
- Publications Committee. Responsible for preparing the Association's monthly newsletter.
- Service to the Bar Committee. Responsible for assisting lawyers who are temporarily or permanently unable to practice law by facilitating an inventory of any such lawyer's files and ensuring proper disposition thereof and communicating as necessary with the clients of such lawyers to assist them in obtaining other representation.
- Young Lawyers Committee. Studies problems confronting young members of the bar and provides opportunities for young lawyers to become acquainted with other members of the Association.

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Please return this form to: Topeka Bar Association, 534 S. Kansas Ave., Suite 1130, Topeka, KS 66603 or email the TBA office at [TopekaBar@sbcglobal.net](mailto:TopekaBar@sbcglobal.net) and inform me what committee you would like to join.  
Tiffany Fisher, Executive Director