

Notice of Election and Electronic Balloting

Notice is given here pursuant to the *Alabama State Bar Rules Governing Election and Selection of President-elect and Board of Bar Commissioners*.

Bar commissioners will be elected by those lawyers with their principal offices in the following circuits:

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| 1st Judicial Circuit | 15th Judicial Circuit, Place 1 |
| 3rd Judicial Circuit | 15th Judicial Circuit, Place 3 |
| 5th Judicial Circuit | 15th Judicial Circuit, Place 4 |
| 6th Judicial Circuit, Place 1 | 23rd Judicial Circuit, Place 3 |
| 7th Judicial Circuit | 25th Judicial Circuit |
| 10th Judicial Circuit, Place 3 | 26th Judicial Circuit |
| 10th Judicial Circuit, Place 6 | 28th Judicial Circuit, Place 1 |
| 13th Judicial Circuit, Place 3 | 32nd Judicial Circuit |
| 13th Judicial Circuit, Place 4 | 37th Judicial Circuit |
| 14th Judicial Circuit | |

Additional commissioners will be elected in these circuits for each 300 members of the state bar with principal offices herein. The new commissioner petitions will be determined by a census on March 1, 2010 and vacancies certified by the secretary no later than March 15, 2010.

All subsequent terms will be for three years.

Nominations may be made by petition bearing the signatures of five members in good standing with principal offices in the circuit in which the election will be held or by the candidate's written declaration of candidacy. PDF or fax versions may be sent electronically to the secretary, keith.norman@alabar.org. Either paper or electronic nomination forms must be received by the secretary no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last Friday in April (April 23, 2010).

As soon as practical after May 1, 2010, members will be notified by e-mail with a link to the Alabama State Bar Web site that includes an electronic ballot. **Members who do not have Internet access should notify the secretary in writing before May 1 requesting a paper ballot.** A single written request will be sufficient for all elections, including run-offs and contested president-elect races. Ballots must be voted and received by the Alabama State Bar by 5:00 p.m. on the last Friday in May (May 28, 2010). Election rules and petitions are available at www.alabar.org.

At-Large Commissioners

At-large commissioners will be elected for the following place numbers: 2, 5 and 8.

Alabama Lawyers' Hall of Fame Nomination Form

The Alabama State Bar will receive nominations for the 2009 honorees of the Alabama Lawyers' Hall of Fame through March 1, 2010. The two-page form should be completed and mailed to:

Samuel A. Rumore
Alabama Lawyers' Hall of Fame
P.O. Box 671
Montgomery, AL 36101

In 2000, Terry Brown of Montgomery wrote Sam Rumore, the Alabama State Bar president at that time, with a suggestion to convert the old supreme court building into a museum honoring the great lawyers of

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ALABAMA LAWYERS' HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM

JUDICIAL AWARD OF MERIT

AMENDMENT OF RULES 16, 26, 33(C), 34, 45, AND FORM 51A, ALABAMA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, AND ADOPTION OF RULE 37(G), ALABAMA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

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Alabama. Although the concept of a lawyers' hall of fame was studied, a later bar president, Fred Gray, appointed a task force to implement a hall of fame. The Alabama Lawyers' Hall of Fame is the culmination of that idea and many meetings. Previous honorees include:

2008

John B. Scott (1906–1978)
Vernon Z. Crawford (1919–1985)
Edward M. Friend, Jr. (1912–1995)
Elisha Wolsey Peck (1799–1888)

2007:

John Archibald Campbell (1811–1889)
Howell T. Heflin (1921–2005)
Thomas Goode Jones (1844–1914)
Patrick W. Richardson (1925–2004)

2006:

William Rufus King (1776–1853)
Thomas Minott Peters (1810–1888)
John J. Sparkman (1899–1985)
Robert S. Vance (1931–1989)

2005:

Oscar W. Adams (1925–1997)
William Douglas Arant (1897–1987)
Hugo L. Black (1886–1971)
Harry Toulmin (1766–1823)

2004:

Albert John Farrah (1863–1944)
Frank M. Johnson, Jr. (1918–1999)
Annie Lola Price (1903–1972)
Arthur Davis Shores (1904–1996)

To download a printable nomination form for 2010, go to http://www.alabar.org/members/hallfame/hallof_fame_ALH_2010.pdf

Judicial Award of Merit

The Board of Bar Commissioners of the Alabama State Bar will receive nominations for the state bar's Judicial Award of Merit through March 15, 2010. Nominations should be mailed to:

Keith B. Norman
Secretary
Board of Bar Commissioners
P. O. Box 671
Montgomery, AL 36101-0671

The Judicial Award of Merit was established in 1987. The award is not necessarily an annual award. It must be presented to a judge who is not retired, whether state or federal court, trial or appellate, who is determined to have contributed significantly to the administration of justice in Alabama. The recipient is presented with a crystal gavel bearing the state bar seal and the year of presentation.

Nominations are considered by a three-member committee appointed by the president of the state bar, which then makes a recommendation to the board of bar commissioners with respect to a nominee or whether the award should be presented in any given year.

Nominations should include a detailed biographical profile of the nominee and a narrative outlining the significant contribution(s) the nominee has made to the administration of justice. Nominations may be supported with letters of endorsement.

Amendment of Rules 16, 26, 33(c), 34, 45, and Form 51A, *Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure*, and Adoption of Rule 37(g), *Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure*

The Alabama Supreme Court has amended rules 16, 26, 33(c), 34, 45, and Form 51A, *Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure*, and adopted Rule 37(g), *Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure*. The amendment and adoption of these rules are effective February 1, 2010. The order amending rules 16, 26, 33(c), 34, 45, and Form 51A and adopting Rule 37(g) appears in an advance sheet of *Southern Reporter* dated on or about December 31, 2009. These comprehensive revisions are to accommodate the discovery of electronically stored information. The text of these rules can be found at <http://www.judicial.state.al.us/rules.cfm>.

—Bilee Cauley, reporter of decisions, Alabama appellate courts

