PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Direct outreach to members is necessary to maintain continuous and positive dialog between the membership and the Alabama State Bar. To that end, this committee is charged with sustaining, improving and strengthening the Alabama State Bar's relationships with local and specialty bars.

The committee shall develop a plan of action for accomplishing this goal during the current bar year. The following should be considered and included in the plan of action:

- 1) Assisting in co-sponsoring the 2018 bar leadership conference in Montgomery;
- 2) Working with the president, executive director, and bar staff to communicate various messages to local and specialty bars on those issues the executive committee and board of bar commissioners deem appropriate at any given time;
- 3) Establishing a regular and on-going means of communication with local and specialty bars to create connections and to disseminate information about state bar programs and resources through local outreach and CLE programs;
- 4) Educating our bar members on court funding issues, so that our bar members can, in turn, encourage their legislators to support adequate funding of the judicial system; and
- 5) Encouraging the utilization of local and specialty bars as partners for state bar programs.

The committee shall elect from its membership a secretary who shall be responsible for a written record of its actions. The secretary, or a designee, shall keep minutes of all meetings of the committee or any subcommittee thereof. The original of the minutes shall be filed with the Alabama State Bar within 14 days each meeting, to be made a part of the committee's file.

The committee may divide itself into such subcommittees thereof as may be necessary or appropriate to effectively carry out its functions. The chairperson shall appoint chairs for each subcommittee. The committee shall meet at the call of the chair or a subcommittee chair. The Alabama State Bar, through its designated staff liaison, will assist the committee in carrying out its purpose.

Done as of August 14, 2018.

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