PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Courthouse security is vital to the Bench and Bar. Access to the Courthouse with electronic devices varies by jurisdiction. Lawyers are often surprised and frustrated by their inability to access a courthouse with their electronic devices.

The goals of this task force shall be as follows:

(1) To determine what the Courthouse Security requirements are for each jurisdiction and compile a list of that to be published by the Alabama State Bar for the benefit of its members;
(2) To determine whether a universal photo bar card could be made available to Alabama State Bar members and the cost effectiveness of providing such a card;
(3) To communicate with the various jurisdictions to determine their willingness to accept a universal photo bar card if such a card was made available to ASB members.

The task force may divide itself into such working groups as may be necessary to effectively carry out its functions. The chairperson shall appoint a chair for any working group. The task force 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 task force, and of all working groups thereof. The original of the minutes shall be filed with the Alabama State Bar within 14 days after each meeting to be made a part of the task force’s file.

This task force shall meet regularly and shall provide timely written interim reports to the Alabama State Bar President and the ASB Executive Committee, as the work of the task force develops.

The Alabama State Bar, through its designated staff liaison, will assist the task force in carrying out its purpose.

Done this 10th day of September, 2019.

Christy Crow, President
Alabama State Bar