PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Sections are an important part of the Alabama State Bar. Many of our members have a stronger connection with our sections than with the Bar because of the shared interests that are often associated with joining a section. Unfortunately, there are some sections that exist but have no leadership in place. Someone joining a section that receives no benefit from that membership can become disenfranchised with the Bar and/or its sections.

The goals of this task force shall be as follows:

- (1) Work with the Alabama State Bar staff to determine what information our section leaders need to effectively lead their section;
- (2) Determine how to best provide information to the section leaders so that they can effectively lead their section;
- (3) Determine what sections have no leadership in place and to reach out to those sections to determine if they should continue to exist and, if so, to try to help the members of that section identify appropriate leadership;
- (4) Make recommendations to the Alabama State Bar on how to support its sections effectively;
- (5) Review section policies, procedures and best practices from other state bars to determine what, if any, policies, procedures and best practices to recommend for Alabama State Bar sections.

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 Alabama State Bar 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 17th day of September, 2019.

Christy Crow

Christy Crow, President Alabama State Bar