

PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Planning Task Force for the Summit on Systemic Bias in the Alabama Criminal Justice System shall plan and conduct a summit on systemic bias in the Alabama criminal justice system, to be held at the Alabama State Bar headquarters or such other location as the task force may designate. The summit shall be designed to promote dialogue on the subject of systemic bias in the criminal justice system, including but not limited to the areas of policing, prosecution, sentencing, and incarceration. The task force's focus shall include but shall not be limited to racial and gender bias. This event shall take place during the month which the president of the Alabama State Bar designates as Alabama State Bar Diversity Month (Probable Event Date: February, 2022). The task force may also plan, or collaborate with other State Bar groups to plan other activities during Alabama State Bar Diversity Month.

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.

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

The task force and its working groups shall meet at the call of the chairperson or the working group chair, in person or by conference call as the chairperson and the working group chairs shall determine.

The task force shall terminate immediately after the end of the month in which the task force's last planned activities take place.

Done this 29th day of July, 2021

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tazewell T. Shepard, III".

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