

## **BYLAWS TASK FORCE**

### **PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

The profession of law is recognized by the laws of Alabama, and the Alabama State Bar was created and is controlled by certain statutes of Alabama, but there is lacking any group of definitive rules to guide the Alabama State Bar in its growth and development within the framework of said statutes. The absence of such rules results in countless ad hoc decisions as well as some uncertainty as to the prior application of the statutory rules over the years. A number of other states with unified bars have developed bylaws which have proven useful to the orderly development of such bars.

The Bylaws Task Force shall investigate, analyze, study and recommend to the Board of Bar Commissioners the advisability of the Alabama State Bar of written bylaws, or other formal instruments to guide and control in an orderly manner the development of the Alabama State Bar; and deemed advisable to recommend to said Board of Bar Commissioners suitable instruments for such purpose.

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

The Task Force shall submit a report of its findings to the Secretary/Executive Director no later than March 1, 2023, so that a report can be made to the Board of Bar Commissioners at the meeting to be held on March 10, 2023.

Done this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.



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