

BAR ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS

Nominating Committee Report

2019-20 BAR YEAR

Hon. E. Richard Webber

On January 21, 2015, following a November 2014 Town Hall meeting led by then-President Joseph A. Frank, the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis Board of Governors adopted a by-laws change establishing the selection of officers for BAMSL by a Nominating Committee process. The by-laws change provided for the appointment of the nominating committee to include diverse representation from the Women in the Legal Profession Section, Minorities in the Legal Profession, Young Lawyers Division, and the Past Presidents as well as three Presidential appointments.

In May 2018, BAMSL President John Simon appointed **Hon. E. Richard Webber** as the chair of the 2019-20 Nominating Committee, **Hon. Booker Shaw** continued a two-year term and **Ed Dowd** was appointed to a two-year term by President Simon. Additional committee members include:

Andrea McNairy – appointed by Women in the Legal Profession Section

Craig Higgins – appointed by Minorities in the Legal Profession Section

Michael Gunn – appointed by the Past Presidents

Erica Slater – appointed by the Young Lawyers Division

The committee held its first meeting on June 29, 2018, to review the by-laws change and outline the committee charge. A lengthy discussion occurred about the process, the need to assure all BAMSL Members are informed about the process, and to ensure every effort was made to make the committee process open and accessible. Subsequent meetings were held on August 24, 2018, October 11, 2018, and October 18, 2018, with committee interviews of all the candidates conducted on October 11, 2018, and October 18, 2018. The candidates interviewed were diverse, well-qualified and demonstrated a commitment to the mission of the bar association. In carrying out our work as a committee, we were guided by the principle that BAMSL's Executive Board should be, to the extent possible, qualified and representative of the diverse elements of the Association's membership including, but not limited to, age, race, gender, sexual orientation, disability, geography, and areas and types of practice. And we believe our recommended slate of candidates is reflective of that.

Following the interview process and vetting of the candidates, the following recommendations are submitted by the Nominating Committee for 2019-20 elections:

2019-20 President-Elect – Retired Judge Glenn Norton

2019-20 Vice President – Retired Judge Carol Jackson

2019-20 Secretary – Jamie Boyer

2019-20 Treasurer – Apollo Carey

ABA Delegate – Lynn Ann Vogel

President-Elect Sara Neill will assume the Presidency on May 1, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,



E. Richard Webber
Chair, BAMSL Nominating Committee