

TO ALL ATTORNEYS IN DISTRICT 8:

I'm writing to update you on the State Bar's communication efforts in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

The State Bar is compiling resources on its texasbar.com/coronavirus webpage. These include:

- Free lawyer resources and webinars (i.e., a free TexasBarCLE webcast was provided on March 20 on Practicing Law in the Shadow of COVID19);
- Court guidance and closures;
- SBOT response measures; and
- Important announcements about TexasBarCLE, disciplinary system, and event cancellations and delays.

Texas Lawyers' Assistance Program professionals have created a webpage full of resources to assist attorneys, law students, and families who may be isolated and struggling with a mental health issue or needing recovery support. View it at texasbar.com/tlaphelps/remote-well-being

The *Texas Bar Journal* staff has been curating information relevant to the pandemic and posting it to the Texas Bar Blog. Some of these articles also will appear in the April and May editions of the *Texas Bar Journal*. So far, the articles posted are:

- *Law firms working remotely during the coronavirus shutdown*, by D. Todd Smith
- *Pandemically challenged: teleworking in COVID-19 and what you need to know*, by Jefferson W. Fisher
- *Working with remote employees: what you need to know*, by Carron E. Nicks
- *Preparing for the coronavirus: how Texas employers can plan for COVID-19*, by Teresa Valderrama
- *"Zoom"ing into a new era*, by Sally Pretorius
- *From inside the Italian quarantine: lawyering on lockdown*, by Jason Herbert

Also, lawyers and members of the public can sign up for the State Bar's Daily News Briefing at texasbar.com/dailynews to receive the latest legal news updates in their inbox every weekday. Right now, these updates are heavily focused on the profession's response to the coronavirus.

As always, please reach out to me at my email below if I can help answer questions or address your concerns. And of course, your suggestions are always welcome.

Sincerely,

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