

TEXAS COURT CLERKS ASSOCIATION Chapter President

Chapter Presidents serve as members of the TCCA Board for as long as they hold the office of President for their Chapter. The term of office is usually two years and is governed by the TCCA Bylaws.

As a Board Member, there are three Board Meetings and one Annual Business Meeting per year. The Pre-Conference Board Meeting, Annual Business Meeting and Post Conference Board Meeting are usually held in October. The Mid Year Board Meeting is usually held in the Spring. Failure to attend three of these four meetings beginning with the Post Conference Board Meeting for a twelve-month period shall constitute good cause for removal from office, unless good cause is shown and approved by the Board of Directors. Expenses to attend the Mid Year Board Meeting are paid by TCCA. Expenses for all other meetings are not reimbursed by TCCA. Budget restraints do not constitute “good cause” for absence from a TCCA Board Meeting

As Chapter President, you will be required to submit a report to the Board of Directors during the Mid Year Board Meeting and Pre-Conference Board Meeting. The report should include chapter membership information, information regarding chapter meetings and financial information (bank name and address, bank account number, proposed budget and other financial statements. The report submitted during the Pre-Conference Board Meeting will also be submitted to the general membership during the Annual Business Meeting.

Reports should be submitted to the Annual Conference Host no later than the date requested by the President or Conference Host. The Bylaws require that reports be included in each of the meeting binders and must be submitted timely so that the Conference Host has sufficient time to prepare the meeting binder. If you are unable to submit your report to the Host as requested, it then becomes your responsibility to contact the Host and confirm how many copies of the report you must print and bring with you to the meeting. Reports should be stapled together and hole-punched for placement into a three-ring binder. A copy of your reports must be sent to the Secretary via email for permanent electronic storage.

Correspondence between Board Members and Committee Chairs may be done via email as long as the current listing of Board Members and Committee Chairs includes an email address. It is recommended that any correspondence sent using email require a return receipt. Correspondence must be mailed via the postal service to any Board Member or Committee Chair who does not have an email address.

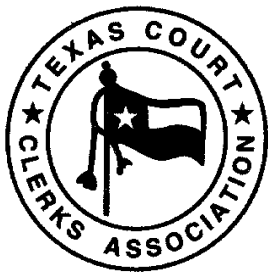
Board members will be asked to sign a Code of Ethics during the Post Conference Board meeting. The signed copy will be maintained by the Secretary. If the signed copy is scanned as a permanent document and stored electronically, the original may be destroyed. A new Code of Ethics will be signed by board members each year.

Job Descriptions will be distributed to all Board Members during the Post Conference Board meeting. Board members should notify the Secretary of any changes. Sample forms and letters should be copied onto a diskette and given to the Secretary for safekeeping.

It is the responsibility of the Chapter President to follow the Records Retention Schedule for any records maintained while serving as Chapter President.

Chapter Presidents may be appointed to serve as a Committee Chair by the TCCA President and shall serve until the next Annual Business Meeting or until the respective successors are appointed.

In the event that a Local Chapter should cease to exist, all funds and records must be returned to the State Association Treasurer within sixty days after the chapter ceases to exist.



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Mission Statement
September 23, 1988

There is no other position in municipal management, other than City Manager and City Attorney; which faces greater complexity on a daily basis than the Court Clerk. The TCCA makes a concerted effort to assist clerks in the management of their municipality's justice system.

- 1) The Texas Court Clerks Association is to insure the highest quality of court management for member and non-member courts.
- 2) The TCCA works assertively to maintain an open public forum to serve to the citizens.
- 3) The TCCA reviews administrative procedures to protect due process and reduce potential liability for the city.
- 4) The TCCA designs management strategy, which assures a neutral magistrate in the courtroom before the public.
- 5) The TCCA encourages the maintenance of daily court activity, which endorses no greater benefit for the police than the citizen.
- 6) The TCCA keeps a vigil to deny clerks, citizens, police, management and judges from using the courts as an instrument of revenge.
- 7) The TCCA provides assistance to any Court wanting a review of its administrative process to enhance or enrich the quality of its service.
- 8) The TCCA assesses the impact of present and future legislation on the operations of courts.

Record Description	Retention Period
Agendas	Permanent
Articles of Incorporation	Permanent
Audio Tape Recordings	2 years
Awards Lists	Permanent
Bank Statements	FE+5 years
Board of Directors Listings	Permanent
Budgets	FE+5 years
By-Laws	Permanent
Certification Program - Misc. Correspondence	5 years
Code of Ethics	Permanent
Conference Budgets	5 years
Conference Guidelines	Permanent
Correspondence - Miscellaneous	5 years
Equipment Purchased	Life of Equipment
Financial Correspondence	5 years
Financial Reports	Permanent
Forms - Miscellaneous	Administratively Valuable
General Counsel Agreement	Term of contract + 3 years
Grant Applications - Denied	2 years
Grant Applications - Granted	Permanent
IRS Non-Profit Status	Permanent
Legislative Committee Information	5 years
Legislative Updates	End of Legislative Session + 6 months
Meeting Minutes	Permanent
Membership Lists	Permanent
Mid-Year Meeting Information	3 years
Mission Statement	Permanent
Nominations for Office	Election + 1 year
Nominations for Awards	Date Awarded + 1 year
Previous Conference Information	5 years

Records Retention Schedule	Permanent
Scholarship Information	Permanent
Signature Cards	5 years
SJI Grant	Permanent
State of the Association Address	Permanent
Tax Forms	Permanent
TCCA Chapter Information	Permanent
The Scribe	Permanent
TML-TCCA Information	Permanent
Votes by Proxy	Date of Vote + 3 years