

FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2012

The Annual Meeting of the Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law Section of the State Bar of Texas (the "Section") was held on Friday, July 14, 2012, at the George R. Brown Convention Center, Houston, Texas. Section Chair William Burford presided, and the minutes were recorded by David Patton.

### I. <u>Call to Order:</u>

Mr. Burford called the meeting of the Section to order at 2 p.m. Central Standard Time.

## II. Annual Report from Chair:

Mr. Burford presented the annual report of the Section. Mr. Burford reported on the growth of the section and discussed the multiple CLE institutes sponsored by the Section providing the membership continuing legal education in all areas of Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law. He also highlighted the State Bar of Texas Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law Section Report, the Section's website and its resources. Mr. Burford also highlighted the Secton's scholarship program and internship program as well as the upcoming 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration.

# III. Secretary's Report/Approval of Minutes of 2011 Annual Meeting.

Mr. Patton, Section Secretary, delivered the minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting, held on Friday, April 8, 2011. The minutes were approved unanimously as presented after a motion and second.

# IV. <u>Treasurer's Report.</u>

Ricardo Morales, Section Treasurer, delivered the report on the receipts and disbursements of the Section and its cash position as of the date of the Annual Meeting. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

#### V. Election of New Council Members:

Mr. Burford called for the election of new Council members for a three-year term, beginning on June 1, 2012, replacing those retiring from Council membership. He observed that new Council members are traditionally nominated by the Council before the Annual Section Meeting and commented on the strength of the list of candidates that had been considered by the Council at its Winter 2012 Meeting. He reported that the Council's nominees for Council membership for a three-year term ending June 1,

2015 are Professor Owen Anderson, Michael D. Jones and Elizabeth (Liz) Drews. Mr. Burford called for nominees from the floor, and there were none. The three nominees were elected by a show of hands of the membership without any dissent.

### VI. Election of Officers:

Mr. Burford explained that Section officers are traditionally chosen from among the Council membership, with one of the Council members whose three-year term expires moving into the office of Treasurer, and the other Section officers moving to the next step into the progression of offices. Mr. Burford presented the following nominees for Section Officers to serve during the 2012-2013 year:

- Chair Timothy R. Brown
- Chair Elect M. C. Cottingham Miles
- Vice Chair David Patton
- Secretary Ricardo Morales
- Treasurer Charles Gordon
- Immediate Past Chair William B. Burford

Mr. Burford called for nominees from the floor. There being none, a motion was duly made and seconded, and the nominees were elected to the respective offices set forth above.

### VII. Appreciation of Retiring Council Members.

Mr. Burford expressed his appreciation to Monika Ehrman and Rick Strange, retiring Council members, for their service to the Section.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ricardo E. Morales Secretary