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The San Antonio Bar Foundation welcomes Elected Fellows Class of 2017

March 22, 2017 — SAN ANTONIO — The San Antonio Bar Foundation (SABF) is pleased to announce its 2017 class of 26 newly-elected members to the San Antonio Bar Foundation Fellows Program. The SABF Fellows are a group of friends who serve as patrons of the charitable heart of the legal community. Together, these elected members make a difference in expanding civics education, filling the gap for access to justice and supporting the pipeline of future leaders in the San Antonio legal family. Fellows of the SABF are selected for their professional achievements and their commitment to the legal community.

Selection as a Fellow of the SABF is restricted to members of the San Antonio Bar Association (SABA), who are in good standing with the State Bar of Texas. The Foundation's Fellows Nomination Committee annually selects one-third of one percent of SABA members to become Fellows of the Foundation. The SABF Board of Trustees confirm all nominations.

San Antonio Bar Foundation Fellows Class of 2017

Mario Barrera, <i>Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP</i>	Caroline Newman Small, <i>Davis & Santos, PC</i>
Mark Barrera, <i>Dykema Cox Smith</i>	Kirt O'Neill, <i>Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP</i>
D. Larkin Chenault, <i>San Antonio Bar Association</i>	Soña Ramirez, <i>Strasburger & Price, LLP</i>
Amanda Crouch, <i>Jackson Walker LLP</i>	Judge Lorina Rummel, <i>144th Judicial District Court</i>
Javier Espinoza, <i>Espinoza Law Firm PLLC</i>	Mark Sessions, <i>Strasburger & Price, LLP</i>
Blakely Fernandez, <i>Bracewell LLP</i>	Ty Sheehan, <i>Hornberger Fuller & Garza, Inc.</i>
Dawn Finlayson, <i>Barton, East & Caldwell, PLLC</i>	Stephen Sheppard, <i>St. Mary's University School of Law</i>
Melissa Barlow Fischer, <i>Bexar County Criminal District Courts Admin. Counsel</i>	J. Barrett Shipp, <i>Heinrichs & De Gennaro, PC</i>
Paul Fletcher, <i>Langley & Banack, Inc.</i>	Carlos A. Solis, <i>Hilley & Solis, PLLC</i>
Andrew Froelich, <i>Law Office of Andrew Froelich</i>	Judge Lori Valenzuela, <i>437th Judicial District Court</i>
Nick Guinn, <i>Gunn, Lee & Cave PC</i>	Santos Vargas, <i>Davis & Santos, PC</i>
Derek Hilley, <i>Hilley & Solis PLLC</i>	Michael Wallis, <i>Thornton, Biechlin, Reynolds & Guerra LLC</i>
Shawn Mechler, <i>Cowen Mask Blanchard</i>	Lorien Whyte, <i>Pozza & Whyte, PLLC</i>

The Fellows Program, established in 1985, is made up of more than 600 Fellows, consisting of three levels of membership: Fellows, Life Fellows and Sustaining Life Fellows. Fellows who complete their pledge of support become Life Fellows of the SABF, and continued support after a Fellow's pledge is complete elevates a Life Fellow to a Sustaining Life Fellow.

For more information on the Fellows Program, the SABF or the SABA, visit www.sabar.org.

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