



**Board Of Governors  
PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA**

**June 23, 2026  
1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

**Location:  
The Westin La Paloma Resort & Spa  
3800 E Sunrise Dr, Tucson, AZ 85718**

General inquires call: Patricia Seguin, 602.340.7236

Members of the public may attend the meeting.

**For any item listed on the agenda, the Board may go into Executive Session  
pursuant to the State Bar's Public Meeting Policy.**

**Agenda/Materials Link: <https://staffazbarorg.sharepoint.com/sites/BoardofGovernorsPortal>**

Please note that all times are approximate and that the order of the agenda is subject to change.

The State Bar of Arizona exists to serve and protect the public with respect to the provision of legal services and access to justice. Consistent with these goals, the State Bar of Arizona seeks to improve the administration of justice and the competency, ethics, and professionalism of lawyers practicing in Arizona. *See* Ariz. R. Ct 32.

**Key Issues/Topics:**

- Election of Officers
- Practice Readiness Working Group

| #  | ITEM               | TIME                                  | SPEAKERS     |
|----|--------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. | Call to Order      | 1:00 p.m. - 1:05 p.m.<br>(5 Minutes)  | Sam Saks     |
| 2. | Call to the Public | 1:05 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.<br>(5 Minutes)  | Sam Saks     |
| 3. | CEO's Report       | 1:10 p.m. - 1:20 p.m.<br>(10 Minutes) | Joel England |

**ACTION/VOTE**

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| 4. | Nominating Committee/Election of Officers | 1:20 p.m. – 2:05 p.m.<br>(45 Minutes) | Ted Schmidt |
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**BREAK – 2026-2027 Board and Executive Council Photos**



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| 5.                 | Consent Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Approval of Resignations in Good Standing</li><li><del>b) Approval of Reinstatement of Member(s) suspended for Non-Compliance with Annual Membership Fees and/or Rule 43, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.)</del></li><li>c) Approval of Reinstatement of Member(s) suspended for Non-Compliance with MCLE Requirements (Rule 45, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.)</li><li>d) Suspension of Members for Non-Payment of 2026 Membership Fee</li><li>e) May 2026 Meeting Minutes</li></ul> | 2:25 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.<br>(5 Minutes)  | Sam Saks                                          |
| 6.                 | Policy Working Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Secretarial Support to Bar President Policy</li><li>b) Program Review Policy</li><li>c) Year in Review – Status Update</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.<br>(20 Minutes) | Rebecca Baker<br>Jessica Fotinos                  |
| 7.                 | Rules Review Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Proposed New Jury Instruction and Updates to Current Criminal Jury Instructions</li><li>b) Request for Authorization for Executive Council to Approve Replies in Pending Family Law Rule Petitions</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2:50 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.<br>(15 Minutes) | David Johns<br>Patricia Seguin<br>Jessica Fotinos |
| 8.                 | Practice Readiness Working Group (f.k.a. Young Lawyer Bridge Task Force Recommendations)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 3:05 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.<br>(30 Minutes) | Doreen McPaul<br>Roberta Tepper                   |
| 9.                 | Lawyer Referral Working Group Recommendations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 3:35 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.<br>(15 Minutes) | Mignonne Hollis                                   |
| <b>INFORMATION</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                       |                                                   |
| 10.                | Legislative Update                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 3:50 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.<br>(10 Minutes) | Tim Eigo                                          |
| 11.                | Correspondence/Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Board of Governors’ – Primary Convention Events</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 4:00 p.m. – 4:05 p.m.<br>(5 Minutes)  | Sam Saks                                          |
| 12.                | Recognition of Outgoing Board Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Ted Schmidt, Board Advisor, Past President 2024-2025</li><li>b) Rachel Romaniuk, YLD President, 2025-2026</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 4:05 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.<br>(10 Minutes) | Sam Saks                                          |



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|     | c) Mary Helen Maley Maynard, SLD President, 2025-2026<br>d) Dean Stacy Leeds. Dean of ASU College of Law    |                                       |                               |
| 13. | Recognition of Outgoing President Sam Saks on behalf of the State Bar of Arizona and the Board of Governors | 4:15 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.<br>(5 Minutes)  | Joel England<br>Doreen McPaul |
| 14. | 2026-27 Goals, Meeting Schedule, and Retreat Preview                                                        | 4:20 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.<br>(10 Minutes) | Doreen McPaul                 |
| 15. | Adjourn                                                                                                     |                                       | Sam Saks                      |

**Upcoming Events:**

- Yavapai County Law Day
  - June 26 – Prescott Valley
    - Prescott Valley Public Library
    - 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- State Bar 2026 Convention Events  
(Ticketed events, unless specified. Registration Open)
  - New Member Day with Breakfast, June 24  
7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.
  - Exhibited Sponsored Wednesday Luncheon with 2026 Awards, June 24  
Noon – 1:45 p.m.
  - Networking Reception, June 24 (Free with your convention registration)  
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
  - The Arizona Bar Foundation 2026 Awards Luncheon, June 25  
Noon – 1:45 p.m.
  - Thursday Night Party, June 25  
5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
  - Silent Auction Benefiting Defenders of Children, June 25 (No ticket required)  
8:00 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.
  - Senior Lawyers Breakfast, June 26  
7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
  - State Bar Friday Luncheon, with 2026 Awards, June 26  
Noon – 1:45 p.m.
- 2026 Board Retreat
  - July 23 & 24
  - Tubac Golf Resort & Spa: <https://azhideawaycollection.com/tubac-golf-resort-spa/>
  - Board Meeting July 24, 10:00 a.m. in-person only