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## State Bar Awards

**T. Wong** of Houston were lauded for providing leadership to the Texas Minority Counsel Program.

**Richard C. Hile** of Austin was recognized for his help during the Sunset and legislative process.

**A. Neale Potts, Jr.** of Belton and **Gary Reaves** of El Paso were commended for helping review and recodify the Policy Manual.

**Neal W. Adams** of Bedford and **David Evans** of Fort Worth were praised for their outstanding service to the State Bar Sunset Review Committee.

### Bar Leaders Recognition Luncheon Awards of Merit

Division II: Hays County Bar Association  
 Division III: Cameron County Bar Association  
 Division IV: Travis County Bar Association  
 Division V: Houston Bar Association

### Outstanding Partnership Awards

Travis County Women Lawyers  
 Houston Trial Lawyers Association  
 San Antonio Bar Association/Foundation  
 Dallas Bar Association

### Star of Achievement

Dallas Association of Young Lawyers  
 Amarillo Area Bar Association  
 San Antonio Bar Association  
 Tarrant County Bar Association

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Houston Bar Association  
 Travis County Bar Association

### Publication Achievement

Travis County Women Lawyers  
 El Paso Bar Association  
 Houston Bar Association

### Law Student Division

**Courtney A. Hoff**, a May graduate of South Texas College of Law and president of its Student Bar Association, was awarded the Law Student Division Legal Professionalism Award.

### Friend of Texas Bar CLE Leadership Award

State Bar President **Betsy Whitaker** of Dallas, Chair of the Board of Directors **Kim Askew** of Dallas, and State Bar Director **Blair Bisbey** of Jasper were recognized for their contributions to the State Bar continuing legal education program.

### Other Awards Law Student Division Essay Contest Winner

**Brock Benjamin** of Thurgood Marshall School of Law.

### Sarah T. Hughes Award (Women & the Law Section)

**Chief Justice Alma L. Lopez** of San Antonio.

### Ma'at Justice Award (Women & the Law Section)

**Carolyn Moore** of Lubbock.

### Inventor of the Year Award (Intellectual Property Law Section)

**Donald Ross Kelsey** of Shell Oil.

### Thomas J. and Marion C. Krauska Award (Military Law Section)

**Lt. Stacia J. Gawronski**, JAGC-USNR.

### Col. Ted E. Bailey Jr. Award (Military Law Section)

**Capt. Mark E. McCary**, U.S. Air Force Reserve in Austin.

### Michael L. O'Neal Outstanding Jurist Gavel Award (Municipal Judges Section)

**Andrew D. Leonie** of Rockwall.

### Judge Norman W. Black Award (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identification Issues Section)

Counsel for amici in *Lawrence and Garner v. Texas*:

**Roger Donley** of Houston, Baker Botts, L.L.P.;  
**Matthew Eastus** of Los Angeles, formerly of Baker

Botts, L.L.P., Houston;  
**Clair Swift Kugler** of Houston, formerly of Baker Botts, L.L.P.; **Mitchell Katine** of Houston; **Rebecca I. Robertson** of Houston, Baker Botts, L.L.P.;  
**Stephen G. Tipps** of Houston, Baker Botts, L.L.P.;  
**Scott F. Wendorf** of Carrollton, formerly of Baker Botts, L.L.P.

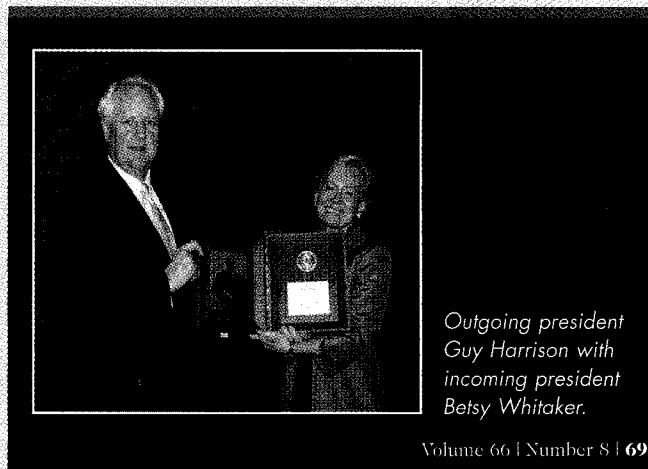
(Award of Appreciation)  
**Charles Adkin Spain, Jr.** of Houston

**Reynaldo G. Garza Lifetime Achievement Award (Hispanic Issues Section)**  
**Felix Salazar** of Houston

**Hispanic Issues Section Award of Appreciation**  
 Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program

**Distinguished Probate Lawyer Lifetime Achievement Award (Real Estate, Probate, and Trust Section)**

**J. Thomas Eubank** of Houston.



Outgoing president Guy Harrison with incoming president Betsy Whitaker.