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AUSTIN ATTORNEY W. STEPHEN BENESH ELECTED FELLOWS CHAIR OF TEXAS BAR FOUNDATION

W. Stephen Benesh of Bracewell LLP has been elected 2019-2020 Fellows Chair of the Texas Bar Foundation. Mr. Benesh took office June 14, 2019.

A seasoned business litigator in his 32nd year of practice at Bracewell, Steve Benesh brings his experience and judgment to bear in helping his clients reach the best resolution of their issues, whether that means vigorously protecting those interests in the courtroom or working collaboratively to reach a common-sense resolution outside the courtroom. He has represented clients in diverse matters, including securities, class action, business torts, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, deceptive trade practices, breach of contract, and products liability. Steve has first chair jury and non-jury trial experience representing plaintiffs and defendants in state and federal courts, as well as arbitration and mediation experience.

Mr. Benesh previously served as the State Bar of Texas liaison, District 9 Nominating Co-Chair for seven years and as the Fellows Secretary and Fellows Chair-elect prior to his election as Fellows Chair of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Founded in 1965 by attorneys determined to assist the public and improve the profession of law, the Texas Bar Foundation has maintained its mission of using the financial contributions of its membership to enhance the rule of law and the system of justice in Texas. To date, the Texas Bar Foundation has distributed more than \$20 million throughout Texas to assist nonprofit organizations with a wide range of justice-related programs and services. More than \$1 million is projected to be distributed for grants this fiscal year. For more information, please visit www.txbf.org.