Transportation Lawyers Association Elects New Officers

Austin, TX, May 13-- The Transportation Lawyers Association (TLA), an international association of attorneys serving the transportation industry since 1937, elected new officers on May 2 during its annual membership meeting at the Omni Barton Creek Resort & Spa in Austin, Texas.

TLA’s 2019-2020 officers include:

- President Jeff Simmons of GlobalTranz in Scottsdale, Ariz.
- President-Elect John F. Wilcox, Jr. of Dysart, Taylor, Cotter, McMonigle and Montemore, P.C. in Kansas City, Missouri;
- First Vice President Steven Canty Orleans, Canty, Novy, LLC in Chicago, IL;
- Second Vice President Christopher M. Kelly of Gallivan White & Boyd P.A. of Charlotte, NC;
- Secretary/Treasurer Eric R. Benton, Lorance & Thompson, PC in Houston, Texas, and
- Immediate Past President Hillary Arrow Booth of Booth, LLP in Los Angeles, Calif.

The following individuals round out TLA’s Executive Committee, serving a two-year term from 2019-2021:

- Thomas M Reardon III, Reardon Anderson, Tinton Falls, N.J.
- Stephanie S. Penninger, Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff LLP, Chicago, Ill.
- Roger Watts, Lindsay LLP, Vancouver, British Columbia Canada
- Pierre-Olivier Ménard Dumas, CTLA Representative-at-Large, Stein Monast LLP, Quebec City, Quebec Canada

TLA would like to thank four exiting Executive Committee members for their outstanding service from 2017 to 2019, including Jonathan Abramson, Timothy S. Groustra, William B. Pentecost and Maria Rivero del Paso.

TLA’s 2019-2021 Voting Past Presidents are:

- M. Gordon Hearn, Fernandes Hearn LLP, Toronto, Ontario Canada
- Kathleen Jeffries, Scopelitis, Garvin, Light, Hanson & Feary, LLP, Pasadena, Calif.
- Patrick K. McMonigle, Dysart, Taylor, Cotter, McMonigle & Montemore, P.C., Kansas City, Missouri
- Eric L. Zalud, Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff, Cleveland, Ohio
TLA members are attorneys located in throughout North America and Europe. Members represent both providers and commercial users of transportation and logistics services from all modes of the transportation industry; including air, rail, truck and maritime companies.

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Further information about TLA can be obtained by visiting its website at www.translaw.org.