

TLR Banquet Speakers

Date Name (Position, Location)

- 1965 Hon. Roger Traynor (Chief Justice, Cal. Sup. Ct., Sacramento, CA)
1966 -
1967 Hon. Thurgood Marshall (Sol. Gen. of U.S.; later, Justice, U.S. Sup. Ct., DC)
1968 Tom Phillips (Pres., State Bar of Texas; Baker Botts, Houston)
1969 Hon. Nicholas Johnson (FCC Commsr., DC)
1970 Louis Nizer (Phillips Nizer, NYC)
1971 Hon. William O. Douglas (Justice, U.S. Sup. Ct., DC)
1972 Eugene Rostow (Prof., Yale Law; fmr. Undersecretary., Pol. Affairs, State Dept., New Haven, CT)
1973 Hon. Ramsey Clark (fmr. U.S. Atty. Gen., DC)
1974 Hon. John Hill (Atty. Gen. of Tex., Austin)
1975 Hon. Barbara Jordan (Member, U.S. House, Houston)
1976 Hon. Frank M. Johnson (Chief Judge, M.D. Ala.; later, U.S. Judge, 5th Cir.)
1977 Hon. John Connally (Vinson & Elkins, Houston; fmr. Gov. of Texas)
1978 Hon. Wm. Wayne Justice (U.S. Dist. Judge, E.D. Tex., Tyler)
1979 Hon. Bob Eckhardt (Member, U.S. Congress, Houston)
1980 J. Chrys Dougherty (Pres., State Bar of Texas; Graves Dougherty, Austin)
1981 Hon. Robert Keeton (U.S. Dist. Judge, D. MA, Boston)
1982 James A. Baker, III (later, U.S. Sec. of Treas. & Secy. of State, Houston)
1983 W. Page Keeton (Prof. & fmr. Dean, UT Law, Austin)
1984 Hon. Jerry Buckmeyer (U.S. Dist. Judge, N.D. Tex., Dallas)
1985 Hon. John Brown (Chief Judge, 5th Cir., Houston)
1986 Mark Martin (VP, UT Law Schl. Fdn.; Strasburger & Price, Dallas)
1987 Jack Ratliff (Prof., UT Law, Austin)
1988 Hon. Patrick Higginbotham (U.S. Judge, 5th Cir., Dallas)
1989 Mark Yudof (Dean, UT Law; later, Chancellor, UT System, Austin)
1990 Michael Tigar (Prof., UT Law, Austin)
1991 Hon. Alex Kozinski (U.S. Judge, 9th Cir., Los Angeles; later, Chief Judge)
1992 Hon. Lynn Hughes (U.S. Dist. Judge, S.D. Tex., Houston)
1993 Steve Susman (Susman Godfrey, Houston)
1994 Hon. Kay Bailey Hutchison (U.S. Senator, DC)
1995 Hon. Tom Phillips (Chief Justice, Sup. Ct. of Tex., Austin)
1996 Hon. Will Garwood (U.S. Judge, 5th Cir., Austin)
1997 George Dix (Prof., UT Law), Neal Manne (Susman Godfrey, Houston), & J.C. Rozendaal (Kellogg Huber, DC)
1998 Hon. Jerry Buckmeyer (U.S. Dist. Judge, N.D. Tex., Dallas)
1999 Hon. Greg Abbott (Justice, Sup. Ct. of Tex.; later, Atty. Gen. of Tex., Austin)

- 2000 Bryan Garner (ed., Black's Law Dictionary, Dallas)
- 2001 Hon. Emilio Garza (U.S. Judge, 5th Cir., San Antonio)
- 2002 Hon. Lee Rosenthal (U.S. Dist. Judge, S.D. Tex., Houston)
- 2003 Hon. Royce Lamberth (U.S. Dist. Judge, D.D.C., DC)
- 2004 Lynne Liberato (fmr. Pres., State Bar of Texas; Haynes and Boone, Houston)
- 2005 Hon. Bill White (fmr. Mayor, City of Houston)
- 2006 Doug Laycock (Prof., UT Law; later, Prof., U.Va. Law, Charlottesville, VA)
- 2007 Larry Sager (Prof. 7 fmr. Dean, UT Law)
- 2008 Hon. Leslie Southwick (U.S. Judge, 5th Cir., Jackson, MI)
- 2009 Hon. Diane Wood (U.S. Judge, 7th Cir., Chicago)
- 2010 Hon. Antonin Scalia (Justice, U.S. Sup. Ct., DC)
- 2011 Harry Reasoner (Vinson & Elkins, Houston; former Pres., UT Law Schl. Fdn.)
- 2012 Hon. John Paul Stevens (Justice (ret.), U.S. Sup. Ct., DC)
- 2013 Ward Farnsworth (Dean, UT Law, Austin)
- 2014 Hon. Rodney Ellis (Texas State Senator, Houston)
- 2015 Hon. Gregg Costa (U.S. Judge, 5th Cir., Houston)
- 2016 Hon. Ed Prado (U.S. Judge, 5th Cir., San Antonio)
- 2017 Hon. Julian Castro (retired Secretary of HUD, San Antonio)
- 2018 Hon. Don Willett (U.S. Judge, 5th Cir., Austin)
- 2019 David Frederick (Kellogg Hansen Todd Figel & Frederick PLLC, DC)

- 2020 banquet cancelled due to Covid-19
- 2021 banquet cancelled due to Covid-19