

# FLS Leadership Class

**\*\*\*APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 13, 2024\*\*\***

## **APPLICATION** **2024 FAMILY LAW SECTION LEADERSHIP CLASS**

### **ELIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Minimum of 3 years of experience in family law
- 40 years of age or younger or a Texas Bar member less than 10 years at the application deadline
- Member of the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Texas
- Commit to attend ALL mandatory program sessions and participate in Class projects
- Commit to accept 4 pro bono cases during the two-year Class term

### **IMPORTANT (MANDATORY) DATES**

- **FLS Leadership Class Retreat** – September 27-29, 2024 (Boerne, TX)
- **Marriage Dissolution Institute 2025** – April 2025 (Location & Specific Date TBA)
- **Advanced Family Law 2025** – August 3-7, 2025 (San Antonio, TX)

***\*NOTE: Attendance at the above is mandatory for all Class Members. Class meetings will take place before or during the conferences listed above.***

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

- Complete this application and send via email with any attachments to [clankford@sbotfam.org](mailto:clankford@sbotfam.org) or send via mail at the following address:

Christi Lankford  
Executive Director  
Family Law Council, State Bar of Texas  
14546 Brook Hollow, Suite 350  
San Antonio, Texas 78232

- The FLS Leadership Class Committee will consider and respond in writing to all applications received.
- Each applicant will be notified whether they have been accepted into the FLS Leadership Class by **May 31, 2024**.

## **FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

- Class members will be responsible for their own travel and hotel costs for all class meetings (except for the Class Retreat, when the Section will cover hotel costs, but the class member will still be required to pay his/her own travel to and from the Class Retreat). Class members will also be responsible for payment of any required registration fees for CLE courses.
- Class members will also be responsible for their own food and beverage costs during any class meeting sessions with some special exceptions when the Section may cover a dinner for the class.

## **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION OR NOMINATION**

Attach a letter of recommendation from your supervisor, manager, partner/shareholder, or a judge you regularly practice before. With prior approval from the Leadership Class Management Committee, a letter of recommendation may be provided by an attorney not in one of these categories. To obtain approval for a letter of recommendation from someone other than the above, please contact Christi Lankford at [clankford@sbotfam.org](mailto:clankford@sbotfam.org).

Alternatively, and in lieu of a letter of recommendation, an applicant may be nominated by a current member of the Family Law Council. Applicants who receive a nomination may also include a letter of recommendation, but the letter of recommendation is not required for those applicants who are nominated by a member of the Family Law Council.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

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**First Name**

**Middle Initial**

**Last Name**

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**Firm Name**

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**Firm Mailing Address**

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**Office Phone**

**Mobile Phone**

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**Email Address**

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**State Bar Number**

**Gender:**  **Male**     **Female**

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Date of Licensing & Jurisdiction:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Years Practicing Family Law:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Summarize Your Work History (*or attach a Resume/CV*):**

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**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

**Why are you interested in participating in the FLS Leadership Class?**  
*(\*Responses may be submitted below or on a separate document attached)*

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## **COMMITMENT**

All the mentors and members of the FLS Leadership Class Management Committee make a commitment to each Class of their time, money, experience, knowledge, and expertise. The same is required of any Class Member.

**If selected for the 2024 FLS Leadership Class I, by my signature on this application, hereby make the following commitments:**

- 1. I commit to actively participate in the FLS Leadership Class.**
- 2. I commit to attend all program sessions.**
- 3. I commit to accept 4 pro bono cases during the course of the FLS Leadership Class.**
- 4. I commit to actively engage with my assigned mentor.**
- 5. I commit to actively participate and engage in any Class Projects.**

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**Applicant Signature**

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**Date**

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**Applicant Printed Name**