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Meet our September 2015 Speakers

Chief Justice Jeff Rose
Justice Cindy Olson Bourland
Texas Third Court of Appeals

Justice Cindy Olson Bourland was appointed to the Third Court of Appeals in January 2015 and is earning widespread endorsements for her legal experience and conservative judicial philosophy.

Justice Bourland grew up on a ranch in Central Texas and is a fifth-generation native of Round Rock. Her grandfather was a Captain of the Texas Rangers and Justice Bourland's late husband, Mike Bourland, was a DPS officer and later owned a business in Williamson County. Cindy received her undergraduate degree from Southwestern University in Georgetown and her law degree from The University of Texas School of Law.



Prior to joining the Court, Justice Bourland was in private practice for twenty years and has had extensive experience in business trial and appellate cases in state and federal courts. Cindy has earned recognition from 2007-2011 as a "Texas Super Lawyer", as a Paul Harris Fellow in Rotary International, and is a former member of the Brazos River Authority Board of Directors. Cindy served as a partner at the firms of Hance Scarborough, LLP and Merica & Bourland, PC. In 2009, Justice Bourland opened Bourland Law Firm, PC in her hometown of Round Rock, where she practiced until being appointed to the Court.

Jeff Rose serves as Chief Justice of Texas' Third Court of Appeals in Austin, Texas, heading up the six-judge court as it handles a busy docket of civil, criminal, and state administrative agency cases appealed from across a 24-county Central-Texas region.

Previously Jeff served as a State District Judge for Travis County and as Deputy First Assistant Attorney General under then-Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott. A graduate of Baylor University and Vanderbilt Law School, Jeff came to government service following a private litigation practice during which he became Board Certified in Civil Trial Law and was recognized four times as a "Texas Super Lawyer."

Judge Rose has been active in the Austin Bar Association as a Director and through the community service and continuing legal education committees. Jeff has also given back to the Austin community, and in particular to children in need, through leadership roles on the boards of Big Brothers/Big Sisters, The Rise School of Austin, and the Capitol Area Food Bank.

Jeff balances his professional and civic activities with his first priority, his family. Jeff's wife Kim is a financial planner, and Jeff is an active dad to their three teens, Ben, Abby, and Will, who all attend Westlake schools. Judge Rose is a frequent speaker on ethics issues, litigation and trial strategy, and the Texas judicial system.

Mark your Calendars:
Annual Golf GOP Scramble—October 5th, 2015

Happy Labor Day

Tom Mechler, the Republican party of Texas Chairman, was our May speaker.

He said that if the Democrats were to split Texas we would never be able to win a presidential election ever again. He mentioned that although the President sent people to work on electing democrats we won anyway.

Tom Mechler was elected March 7, 2015. He was Treasurer when Steve Munisteri was the chairman. Steve left on March 7th leaving a bank account with 1 million dollars.

Tom started on the Republican Party in Alaska when he helped a friend's wife to get elected for office back in 1982. He helped them again in 1986 when she ran for Lt. Governor. He was vice-chairman until the chairman got sick with cancer and then became the chairman.

He went on to talk about the Presidential election we will have in 2016. He said that Hillary has issues with corruption that will be investigated by Congress. He reminded us that the next President will probably appoint 4 Supreme Court Justices so we need to elect a conservative for our leader. For this reason this is REALLY the most important election. The US is supposed to be the leader of the free world and deal with the violence of extremists groups. The US needs to lead.

Tom gave us some points on how to make the future happen:

1. Join the Party. Be engaged and unite. We need more young people and more minorities to be part of the Republican party. Steve started and Tom will continue this effort. The next generation is, without doubt, the group that will protect our country. Invite young people, train them and teach them so they can be successful. Minorities are conservative, they are Republicans but do not know it. We need to visit their communities and let them know that their beliefs are conservative.
2. Unity. The Republican party really struggles with unity. We need to recognize that everybody has the right to speak and express their opinions. Start by talking about what we agree on and find ways to establish relationships. If we are to unify the party we need for the minorities to be a part of it otherwise we will not have a chance. And the business community also needs to be a part of the party.

Our goal for 2016 is to have a 10,000 volunteer drive force to help elect Republican candidates.



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