



ROLAND GARCIA

HOUSTON BAR ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATE

"The programs of the Houston Bar reach out to the young, the elderly, and the needy, and provide valuable services to our members. I bring a long and proven track record of service and leadership to the HBA. I pledge to work hard for you and to continue the HBA's tradition of outstanding service to our community and to our profession."

PROFESSION & EDUCATION

ROLAND GARCIA IS A **PARTNER** IN THE LAW FIRM OF LOCKE Liddell & Sapp LLP. He received his BBA from Baylor University with **HONORS** in 1981 and his JD from South Texas College of Law in 1986 and was Assistant Editor of the **LAW REVIEW**. He previously served as a **BRIEFING ATTORNEY** for Justice Raul A. Gonzalez of the Supreme Court of Texas. He worked as a Programmer Analyst at Shell Oil Company while attending law school at night. He practices law in the areas of civil litigation including major class action litigation, products liability, commercial litigation, and appellate law. He has tried lawsuits in state and federal courts, and has argued appeals in state and federal appellate courts. He has handled many high profile cases and has been **QUOTED** regarding these cases by the *National Law Journal*, *Houston Chronicle*, *The Dallas Morning News*, *Austin-American Statesman* and the *Texas Lawyer Magazine*.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

ROLAND ALSO IS INVOLVED IN NUMEROUS PRO BONO AND CIVIC activities. He is a **BOARD MEMBER** of the American Leadership Forum, Aspiring Youth of Houston, Memorial Hermann Foundation, Harris County Hospital District Foundation, the Downtown Houston Association, and the South Texas College of Law Alumni Association. He is on the **ADVISORY BOARDS** of the Mental Health Association, the Houston Image Group, and the Public Interest Law Program of the University of Houston Law Center. He is a **STEERING COMMITTEE** Member of Houston Challenge 2000, a regional initiative to make the greater Houston area the premier place to live and work in the next century. He is a graduate of Leadership Houston and Past President of the Association for the Advancement of Mexican Americans, the largest non-profit social service and educational agency in Texas dedicated to assisting low-income Hispanic youth and families. He has **VOLUNTEERED** his services to the United Way, Special Olympics, YWCA, Childrens' Museum, Boy Scouts, and numerous mentoring programs for elementary, middle and high school youth. He was **APPOINTED** by the Houston Independent School District to its Task Force on Magnet and Vanguard Programs and its CareerFest 2000 to address technological challenges of the new millennium. Roland is **ACTIVE** in local, state and national politics, serving on numerous finance and steering committees of office holders and candidates.

BAR LEADERSHIP

ROLAND IS **ACTIVE** IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION. HE IS AN **OFFICER** of the Houston Bar Association, serving as Secretary of the Board, and member of the Executive and Finance Committees. He has **CHAIRLED** numerous HBA committees including Alternative Dispute Resolution, Adopt-a-School, Membership and Law Internship Approval Committees, and has served on the Elder Law, AIDS Outreach, Historical and Minority Opportunities Committees. He serves as **PRESIDENT** of the Dispute Resolution Center and Secretary of the Mexican American Bar Association. He is a Past President of the Texas Young Lawyers Association, an elected position of the 22,000 member state-wide lawyers organization. He is a Past President of the Hispanic Bar Association and past board member of the State Bar of Texas and Texas Bar Foundation. He is a **FELLOW** of the Houston Bar Foundation, Houston Young Lawyers Foundation, Texas Bar Foundation and American Bar Foundation. He was **APPOINTED** by the Texas Supreme Court to the Judicial Selection Task Force which reported on the method for selecting and retaining judicial officers that would best serve the people of Texas.

AUTHOR AND SPEAKER; AWARDS

ROLAND IS A FREQUENT **WRITER AND SPEAKER** ON LEGAL TOPICS such as expert witnesses, discovery, and contractual indemnity and on community service topics such as volunteerism, education, juvenile justice, and opportunities for women and minorities. He has received numerous professional and civic **HONORS** and awards including the **PRESIDENT'S AWARD** from the HBA and the TYLA, the Baylor University Outstanding Young Alumni Award, Five Outstanding Young Houstonians Award, and awards from the State Bar of Texas and Houston Independent School District.

FAMILY AND INTERESTS

ROLAND AND HIS WIFE, **KAREN**, A MANAGER FOR BMC SOFTWARE Company, have two children—**SCOTT** and **KRISTIN**. He enjoys tennis, snow skiing, politics and scuba diving.

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