

Arcilia C. Acosta
Member
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Term Expires: August 31, 2019

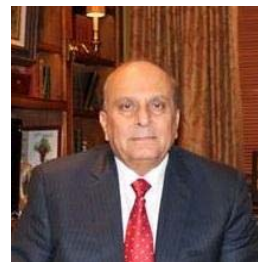


Arcilia C. Acosta of Dallas is president and CEO of CARCON Industries and Construction and is founder and CEO of STL Engineers. She currently serves on the board of directors of Energy Future Holdings Corporation, parent company of TXU Energy, Oncor Services and Luminant Power, and is also a board director of Legacy Texas Financial Group, a bank holding company. She is a board member of the Dallas Citizens Council and former chairman of the Texas Association of Mexican American Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Additionally, she is a member of the National Women's Energy Network and a former member of the National Alumni Board for Texas Tech University.

Acosta received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Texas Tech University and board director certification from Southern Methodist University Southwest School of Banking, and is a graduate of the Harvard University Business School Corporate Governance Program.

S. Javaid Anwar
Member
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S. Javaid Anwar was born in Karachi, Pakistan and upon completing his high school education, he immigrated to the United States where he attended the University of Wyoming and received his degree in Petroleum Engineering. Upon graduation, Anwar began a career in oil and gas in Texas that has continued for nearly 40 years and led to his foundation and ownership of several oil and gas exploration companies and related entities.

In 2011, he received the Outstanding Businessman and Entrepreneur Award from the Pakistan Chamber of Commerce-USA. In 2012, he received the Man of the Year award from Safeer-A-Pakistan. In 2014, President George W. Bush presented Anwar the Philanthropist of the Year Award from the Permian Basin Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. In that same year, then Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott and Lt. Governor David Dewhurst presented him the Businessman of the Year award from the South Asian Chamber of Commerce in Houston.

In 2014, Anwar also received humanitarian awards from the Pakistan Citizens Foundation and the Human Development Foundation. This year, he received the Golden Hammer Award by Midland Habitat for Humanity.

Fred Farias III, O.D.
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Fred Farias III of McAllen, Texas was appointed to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by Governor Greg Abbott in February 2015, and was confirmed by the Texas Senate on April 28, 2015. Dr. Fred Farias III, a Rio Grande Valley native, graduated from The University of Texas at Austin in 1980 before graduating a Doctor of Optometry from Southern College of Optometry in 1987 and opening his first practice, 20/20 Vision Care, Inc., in McAllen in 1988.

Dr. Farias is the immediate past president of the Texas Optometric Association where he has been an active member since 1988. Farias is also a former president of the Rio Grande Valley Optometric Association and an active member of the American Optometric Association as well as an American Academy of Optometry Fellow.

In 2001, Governor Rick Perry appointed him to the Texas Optometry Board where he served for seven years, in part as chair of the Licensing and Administration Committee. Farias has also served on The University of Texas (UT) System Chancellor's Executive Committee, the UT College of Communication Advisory Council, The University of Texas Longhorn Athletic Advisory Council, and co-founded The University of Texas Hispanic Alumni Committee of the Texas Exes in 2001. Dr. Farias received the Texas Young Optometrist of the Year Award in 1998 by the Texas Optometric Association and received the Outstanding Young Texas Ex Award by The University of Texas at Austin Alumni Association in 2002.

Dr. Farias is also active in the McAllen community, serving on the McAllen Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and chairing the Chamber's Governmental Affairs Council. He previously served on the Vannie E. Cook Cancer Center Board of Directors as well as the Rio Grande Valley Arthritis Foundation Board.

Robert "Bobby" Jenkins Jr.
Chair
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Term Expires: August 31, 2017



Bobby Jenkins of Austin was appointed by Governor Greg Abbott on October 21, 2015 as Chairman of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for a term set to expire at the pleasure of the Governor. Jenkins has served as Vice Chairman of the Coordinating Board since September 2013.

Jenkins is a board member and past chairman of the Better Business Bureau Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse and the Alzheimer's Association, chairman of the Austin American Heart Association, and board member of United Way of Austin. Currently, he serves on the Agricultural Development Council and Mays Business School Development Council at Texas A&M University. He is the co-founder and board chairman of Recognize Good and past chairman and board member of Austin Gives.

Additionally, he is past chairman of the Austin Chamber of Commerce and Caritas of Austin, past president of both the Texas and National Pest Management Associations, and past tri-chairman for the bond oversight committee with Austin Independent School District. Jenkins received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Texas A&M University.

Andrias R. "Annie" Jones
Student Representative
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Term Expires: May 31, 2018

Andrias R. "Annie" Jones of McAllen is pursuing a law degree and a master's degree of public affairs from The University of Texas at Austin. She received a bachelor's degree in German studies from Dartmouth College and a master's degree in politics, with distinction from the University of Essex in the United Kingdom. She has worked in multiple Texas executive branch agencies and during three legislative sessions of the Texas Legislature. Her higher education-related experience includes researching for a university strategic planning division, clerking in the Office of General Counsel at The University of Texas System, and interning in the Senate Higher Education Committee in the Texas Legislature.

Ricky A. Raven
Member
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Term Expires: August 31, 2021



Ricky A. Raven of Sugar Land is partner at Reed Smith. He is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, State Commission on Judicial Conduct, Texas Association of Defense Counsel, State Bar of Texas International Association of Defense Counsel, United States Supreme Court Bar, Houston Bar Association, New York State Bar Association, and the Arkansas Bar Association. He sits on the boards of the Houston Community College Foundation, University of Houston Alumni Association, and the Yellowstone Academy.

Additionally, he is a fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation and the Houston Bar Foundation and member of University of Houston Foundation Board of Trustees, Houston Police Officers' Civil Service Commission, and the Houston Golf Association. Raven received a Bachelor of Science and Juris Doctor from the University of Houston.

Janelle Shepard
Member
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Term Expires: August 31, 2017



Janelle Shepard of Weatherford was appointed to the Coordinating Board by Governor Rick Perry. She will serve a six-year term. She serves as chair of the Committee on Academic and Workforce Success, and as a member of the Agency Operations Committee.

Ms. Shepard is a registered nurse, board certified case manager and a senior director in population health at Texas Health Resources. She is a member of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, American Case Management Association, American Nurses Credentialing Center, and the American College of Healthcare Executives. Shepard is a past member and past board secretary of the Texas Commission on Judicial Conduct. She received a BSN from the University of Texas at Arlington and an MBA in Healthcare Management from Western Governors University.

**Stuart W. Stedman, Vice-Chair
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board**

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Stuart W. Stedman of Houston was appointed to a three-year term on March 9, 2016, by Governor Greg Abbott. Mr. Stedman is the president of Stedman West Interests, Inc., a family investment office that manages the assets of the Stedman West family. He attended The University of Texas at Austin where he received a B.A. in Plan II (1979), a J.D. (1985), and an M.B.A (1985). He is licensed to practice law in the state of Texas (inactive status).

Mr. Stedman serves on the Advisory Board of the Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute and has been involved in wildlife research and conservation for many years. He has supported and designed numerous research projects focused on the white-tailed deer and has written numerous articles on white-tailed deer management. He received the Texas Outdoorsman of the Year award in 2009, the DAR Conservation Committee award in 2012, and the Harvey Weill Sportsman Conservationist of the Year award in 2014. He is also the past chairman of Texas Parks & Wildlife's Operation Game Thief committee.

Mr. Stedman serves as the vice-chair of the Liberal Arts Council, and he is member of the University of Texas Development Board and the Blanton Museum's National Leadership Board. He is also a member of The Methodist Hospital Research Institute board of directors in Houston. Mr. Stedman formerly served as a trustee of the Texas Children's Hospital and the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.

John T. Steen, Jr.
Member
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John Steen of San Antonio is an attorney and investor who served as the 108th Texas secretary of state. He is a member and former vice chairman of the UTSA Development Board, an Executive Committee member of the Chancellor's Council of the UT System, a trustee of the Texas Department of Public Safety Foundation, a member of the Philosophical Society of Texas, and a director of the P16Plus Council of Greater Bexar County. He was recently selected and unanimously confirmed by the San Antonio City Council to serve on the five-member Board of Trustees that oversees CPS Energy, the nation's largest municipally owned electric and gas utility.

A sixth-generation Texan born and raised in San Antonio, Mr. Steen received an A.B. cum laude from Princeton in 1971. At Princeton, he was selected as an undergraduate member of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs from which he received an S.P.I.A. certificate. Following his graduation from Texas Law School where he was a member of the Texas Law Review as well as Phi Delta Phi, he returned to his hometown to practice. He has been president/chairman of over ten local nonprofits including the Fiesta San Antonio Commission, San Antonio Academy Board of Trustees, San Antonio Performing Arts Association, and World Affairs Council of San Antonio. He is a past trustee and vice chairman of the San Antonio Community College District (now Alamo Colleges) and a past trustee of Austin College. He has served the state as a member of the Texas Commission on Economy and Efficiency in State Government, commissioner and chair of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and commissioner of the Texas Department of Public Safety. While he was secretary of state, he was the state's border commerce coordinator and chaired the Border Trade Advisory Committee.

Formerly a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army Reserve, Mr. Steen is an honor graduate of the Army's Military Police School. Twice he received the Commander's Award for Public Service from the Department of the Army. He is a distinguished alumnus of San Antonio Academy, was honored two times for his philanthropy by the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault, and received the Dream Maker Award from the Texas A&M San Antonio Foundation. He is an honorary Texas Ranger captain.

Mr. Steen and his wife, Weisie, are members of First Presbyterian Church. They have been married 37 years and have three children and three granddaughters, including identical twins born in 2012.