

DALLAS LGBT+  
BAR ASSOCIATION

# VISIBILITY BALL

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# WHO WE ARE

**F**ounded in 1992, the Dallas LGBT Bar Association is the only group focused on fostering a supportive community and advancing the careers of LGBTQ+ attorneys and allied professionals in North Texas. Our network is comprised of over 220 dues-paying members across the Dallas–Fort Worth metroplex, an email distribution list of more than 500 subscribers, and a social media following of nearly 2,000. We are from all walks of life: solo practitioners, government attorneys, corporate counsel, “big law” attorneys, academics, judges, non-profit advocates, and paraprofessionals. While the DLGBTBA celebrates the diversity and successes of its membership, we recognize that many barriers remain for LGBTQ+ professionals, who still experience high risks of workplace bias and fears that coming out could damage their careers—particularly in a state that was, and at times still is, hostile to the LGBTQ+ community.

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# OUR MISSION

The Dallas LGBT Bar Association seeks to provide a community for LGBTQ+ lawyers across the metroplex by:

- Providing continuing legal education (“CLE”) courses on pressing legal issues for the LGBTQ+ community.
- Hosting regular community networking events that foster fellowship among LGBTQ+ legal professionals and allies.
- Coordinating volunteer opportunities for community service to the greater LGBTQ+ population in the Dallas–Fort Worth metroplex.
- Promoting employment opportunities through a job posting board to LGBTQ+ legal professionals and increase representation in the profession.
- The Justice Award, presented annually at the Visibility Ball, recognizing leaders who advance our local LGBTQ+ community by fighting injustice.



## ABOUT THE EVENT

# VISIBILITY BALL

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Our inaugural Visibility Ball will be hosted on December 8, 2022 at Saint Rocco's New York Italian. Guests are invited to a seated dinner and award presentation followed by DJ, dancing, and cocktails while enjoying unbeatable views of the Dallas skyline. This event will highlight the progress and success of LGBTQ+ attorneys, judges, law students, and legal professionals. In doing so, we hope to increase awareness and visibility to the growing LGBTQ+ legal community here in Dallas. For many in our community, the opportunity to be open and visible is not yet an option. Nearly 20 years after the U.S. Supreme Court decided *Lawrence v. Texas*, LGBTQ+ Texans still face legal and social challenges not faced by others. Without explicit, universal protections for the LGBTQ+ community from discrimination in employment, housing, and public accommodations, organizations like the Dallas LGBT Bar Association are often the only accepting place our members can be their complete, authentic selves. As members of the Bar and leaders in our profession, we recognize the importance of celebrating our accomplishments and being visible both for those that come behind us and to continue to shine a light on the struggles our community continues to face.

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## PRESENTING SPONSOR - \$7500

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- Exclusive.
- 2 tables (16 tickets) to Visibility Ball with VIP seating.
- Brief address to attendees.
- Full page ad in event program.
- Sponsor branded items included in guest gift bags.
- Logo and recognition as Presenting Sponsor on promotional materials including emails, social media posts, and printed materials.
- Logo and recognition as Presenting Sponsor on the DLGBTBA website.
- Logo and recognition as Presenting Sponsor on event banners & screens.

## Afterparty Sponsor - \$5000

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- Exclusive.
- 1 table (8 tickets) to Visibility Ball with VIP seating.
- Full page ad in event program.
- Sponsor branded items included in guest gift bags.
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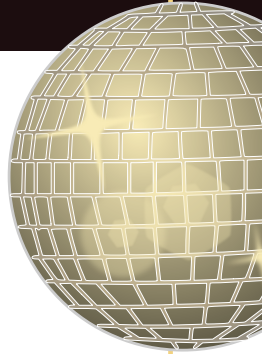
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- Full page ad in event program.
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## Advertise in the Printed Program

- Full page ad - \$350
- Half page ad - \$250





## CONTACT US

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Sponsorship sign up and questions can be directed to Callie Butcher at [info@dallaslgbtbar.org](mailto:info@dallaslgbtbar.org).

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