

2023-2024 TEXAS LAND TITLE ASSOCIATION

# STATE OF THE ASSOCIATION



## PROTECTING AND ADVOCATING FOR OUR INDUSTRY

*From the Texas Capitol to the halls of Congress*

### TEXAS LEGISLATURE

In addition to the regular legislative session at the beginning of 2023, lawmakers met for 4 special sessions that ran through the end of the year, and TLTA was engaged in all of it.

- Successful passage of 100% of our legislative agenda
- Worked with bill authors to improve numerous problematic bills
- Worked to stop multiple bad bills from becoming law
- TLTA Legislative Agenda for next session is underway
- Focused on grassroots contacts and PAC giving during interim session

### TDI

We worked closely with the industry's regulator on the following:

- Quarterly meetings with TDI and TLTA staff continue
- Stakeholders meetings to study rates
- TLTA-proposed Basic Manual changes expected to be effective Nov. 2024
- TLTA Regulatory Committee studying multiple items for future consideration
- Basic Manual Task Force plain language rewrite continues

### FEDERAL

In coordination with ALTA, your TLTA advocacy team continued working for you to address the following federal challenges:

- FHFA title insurance waiver pilot announced during State of the Union
- CFPB's scrutiny of title insurance fees
- FinCEN's proposal for new reporting requirements
- Round table on title insurance reform by Office of Insurance

## PRIORITIES THIS YEAR

- Represent you during TDI rate review process
- Advocate against disruptive new federal proposals
- Election year interim legislative work
- Final adoption of TLTA proposed Basic Manual changes
- Develop priorities for next legislative session
- Develop next items for TDI rulemaking

## ONGOING INITIATIVES

- Promote the value of title insurance in all transactions
- Promote title industry as a career
- Develop statewide community college CE course
- Grow certified professional ranks
- Monitor new tech — AI, payment tech
- Continue efforts to combat fraud
- Monitor cyber security trends





# THE LEADER IN INDUSTRY EDUCATION

# 80<sup>+</sup>

On-Demand programs available 24/7

# 9,283

Participants live and online

# 212

CE hours

## CERTIFICATION

TLTA's Professional Certification Program boasts 404 certified professionals statewide offering customers and employers demonstrated expertise and an ongoing commitment to excellence.

## LAND TITLE SCHOOL

The Land Title School of Texas continues to be the premier learning module for new title professionals and experienced pros who want to grow their industry knowledge. The school committee revamped the program this year, infusing the entire 2 1/2-day program with a fresh perspective, ensuring alignment with the most recent legal developments, regulatory updates, and industry trends.

## LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The newly expanded Leadership Academy continues and will be hosted again in 2025. The program now spans over several months and includes enhanced content and expanded opportunities for leadership, networking, education, and study. The successful and popular program aims to equip participants with vital leadership skills needed to succeed in the title industry's dynamic landscape.

“Love the convenient on-demand continuing education. Your team makes it easy to keep up with the latest industry trends.”

— Licensed title professional

## WE'RE STRONGER THAN EVER

*A growing community of committed partners working together*



### Strength In Numbers

TLTA membership continues to grow year after year. We are proud to represent the nearly 20,000 title professionals doing business in Texas.



### Volunteers Lead Our Way

400+ active, dedicated volunteers serving on boards, committees, and task forces, and working as instructors and subject matter experts for educational programs, advocacy, and more.

## STRONG FINANCIAL FOUNDATION

Strong stewardship of your organization's finances ensures that ample reserves are in place to support a productive and effective future for our industry's priorities.

## YOUR SOURCE FOR INDUSTRY NEWS, TOOLS AND RESOURCES

TLTA sends weekly emails and other direct outreach with the latest legislative and regulatory news and other industry developments that impact your business, and hosts a robust website that includes the latest issues, special tools and industry resources to help you maintain compliance with state and federal regulations.

## UPCOMING TLTA EVENTS

### Leadership Academy

Dec. 2024 – Spring 2025

*Applications open Summer 2024*

### Commitment to Closing:

**Texas Title Insurance Review and Doc Prep**

Dec. 4, 2024 ▪ San Antonio

### Texas Land Title Institute

Dec. 5-6, 2024 ▪ San Antonio

### Day at the Capitol

Feb. 10-11, 2025 ▪ Austin

### Texas Land Title School

March 2-5, 2025 ▪ Austin

### 2025 Annual Conference and

**Business Meeting**

June 8-11, 2025 ▪ Nashville, TN