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[Hurricane Harvey and the Role of Bar Associations](#)

[State Bar of Texas, Louisiana State Bar Association Respond to Hurricane Harvey](#)

During and after natural disasters, it's often bar associations that step up to ensure that those affected have the help they need to deal with the legal matters that arise as people begin to recover. Hurricane Harvey is no exception; please read how the [State Bar of Texas](#) and the [Louisiana State Bar Association](#) are coordinating law-related disaster relief efforts in their states, and how you may be able to help.

[Federal Appeals Court Rules in North Dakota *Keller* Lawsuit](#)

A federal appeals court recently decided a case that many unified bars have been following closely, as it involved a member suing a mandatory state bar over what he believed was a violation of *Keller* rules regarding the use of dues. The 8th Circuit ruled that the State Bar Association of North Dakota's opt-out procedure was sufficient; bar member Arnold Fleck contends that the bar should have asked for his affirmative consent before using a portion of member dues to oppose a 2014 ballot initiative. [ABA Journal](#) has more details, including the focus of that ballot initiative and what might happen next.

[Columbus Bar Association Incubator Grad Is Named an ABA Journal Legal Rebel](#)

If there were an award for the most incredible "How I became a lawyer" story, Mindy Yocum just might win. As it is, the graduate of the Columbus Bar Association's legal incubator was recently named an ABA Journal Legal Rebel. Yocum became enmeshed in a major legal battle when a workers' compensation insurer tried to insist that her husband return to work just one week after he was stabbed more than 30 times during a burglary at his workplace. Trouble with Social Security Disability Insurance further solidified Yocum's role as an informal advocate and led her to law school. Read more about Yocum's story? including what she gained from her incubator experience?at [ABA Journal](#).

[Got an App? Is it Old? Apple Might Not Want it Anymore](#)

Remember a few years ago, when you created an app (or several) for your bar because everybody else was creating apps for their bar, so you thought you should, too?but no one used it much, so you never bothered to update it? Well, now Apple is doing some housecleaning, and it doesn't want your old apps anymore. But relax, says Ernie Smith at [Associations Now](#)?this is actually a good thing. How can you prepare for the purge ? and make sure that, going forward, you don't create new tech tools and then just let them die?



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