

Haynes and Boone's Steve Allison Named VIA Board Member

SAN ANTONIO - Haynes and Boone, LLP Partner Steve Allison has been appointed to San Antonio's VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority Board of Trustees.

Mr. Allison was appointed to the nationally recognized public transit system's 11-member board of trustees by the suburban mayors, one of VIA's three appointing bodies. He will serve a two-year term. VIA is embarking on its SmartWaySA initiative through a process of working with the community to create a vision and Long Range Comprehensive Transportation Plan for the San Antonio-Bexar County area.

Modern innovative transportation solutions, including bus rapid transit, electric streetcars, light rail, commuter rail and HOV lanes will all be considered. The plan will outline policies, specific corridor improvements, transit technologies, timelines and funding options for transportation improvements through 2035.

"VIA is carefully assessing a multimodal approach to the transportation needs of San Antonio with a vision to continue perfecting a system that provides energy, mobility and economic efficiencies, while also serving as a catalyst for important economic development and revitalization," Mr. Allison said. "It is an exciting time for the organization and San Antonio. I look forward to the opportunity to be a part of the progress."

Committed to his community, Mr. Allison is active in civic, political and professional activities. He served as president and a member of the board of trustees of the Alamo Heights Independent School District, and a member of the board of trustees of the Texas Association of School Boards.

Professionally, Mr. Allison is an experienced litigator with more than 35 years of trial experience. He began his career as an assistant district attorney and has since served more than 30 years in a broad range of business, health care and governmental litigation, internal investigations, mediations, arbitrations and administrative proceedings.

He is a past president of the Defense Counsel of San Antonio.

Mr. Allison is listed in The Best Lawyers in America for Commercial Litigation (2005-2010) and Bet-the-Company Litigation (2008-2010), Texas Super Lawyers for Business Litigation (2003-2009), and San Antonio's Best Lawyers for Business Litigation (2004-2009.)