

CTD BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2010-2011 Ballot

To vote for each office or regional representative, please either circle the name of the person listed OR write in the name of your choice for that office or position.

Position	Name	City	Disability
President	Crystal Lyons	Corpus Christi	yes + parent of child w/ disability
Vice President	Rodney Hanneman	San Antonio	yes
Secretary	Susan Merrick	Austin	yes
Treasurer	Frank Santos	Austin	no
At- Large			
Region 1	Eric Reed	El Paso	Yes
Region 1			
Region 2		Panhandle	
Region 3	Mike Halligan	Austin	yes
Region 3			
Region 4	John R. Banik	Center Point	yes
Region 4			
Region 5	Judy Telge	Corpus Christi	no
Region 5			
Region 6	Ken Carden	Dallas	yes
Region 6			
Region 7	Gene Whitten Lege	Houston	no
Region 7			
Region 8	Jet Schuler	Tyler	no
Region 8			

CTD 2008 Board CANDIDATE INFORMATION

For President – Crystal Lyons is a parent of a child with a disability and serves as a full time volunteer with numerous advocacy organizations. Crystal has particular expertise in transportation issues and seeks her second term as CTD president.

For Vice President –Rodney Hanneman is completing ten years of service as a member of the CTD Board where he has consistently promoted CTD to potential members and supporters. He has experience serving on the boards of SAADA and SAILS and has been a disability advocate for many years.

For Secretary –Susan Merrick is Director of External Affairs for AT&T-Texas. She was involved with CTD on numerous special projects and fundraising for five years before her election to the Board in 2006. Susan likes to point out the telephone was invented as assistive technology for a person with a disability.

For Treasurer –Frank Santos. Since launching Santos Alliances he has held the position as the state's top Hispanic lobbyist and is recognized as one of the top 10 most influential lobbyists in Texas. Frank has lined up sponsors and support for CTD legislation, giving a large amount of work pro bono. He has arranged financial contributions for CTD.

Region 1 - Eric Reed has served five years on the CTD Board. Eric was honored as 2006 Disability Professional of the Year by the State Independent Living Council. Those who know Eric also know of his in-depth knowledge of disability policy.

Region 2-vacant, no nominations

Region 3 – Mike Halligan is active in legislative advocacy and in community organizing on mental health issues. He is Chair of the State Mental Health PAC and is a licensed professional counselor.

Region 4 – John Banik served in the US Army for 22 years. He retired in 1978 as a Chief Warrant Officer with a 100% service connected disability. He has served actively in the Ministry as a licensed Minister, in the Baptist Faith. John has completed six years of service on the Board. He will continue volunteering to help and minister to people who have great needs.

Region 5 – Judy Telge balances her direct services work with the Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living with a considerable commitment to public policy. Judy is an example of how disability professional can effectively develop relationships with elected officials.

Region 6- Ken Carden: is one of Texas' top attorneys specializing in ADA issues. Ken has special interests in architectural barriers, accessibility and civil rights. He is involved in CTD legal, advocacy and fundraising. Ken is CTD's immediate past president.

Region 7 – Gene Whitten Lege, a former social worker, is completing his tenth year's service with the CTD Board. He and his wife Pat own In Home Attendant Services in Houston and have provided pro bono critical technical assistance to CTD's CDS agency. Gene and Pat are recognized as pioneers in consumer directed services in Texas.

Region 8- Jet Schuler is Co-Owner, President and CFO of several licensed Home Health Care companies, all of which provide services to people with disabilities. Touch of CLASS, one of these agencies, provides services to over 350 Texans through the CLASS program. Jet has been involved in home care and working with people with disabilities for over 13 years and in health care for over 20 years. Jet has a bachelor's degree in accounting from Ferris State University and he is a CPA.