



*Honoring*  
**ROBIN GIBBS**

THURSDAY | NOVEMBER 15 | 2018

**FOUR SEASONS HOTEL IN AUSTIN, TEXAS**

*Pacesetter Reception 6:00 | Cocktails 6:30 | Dinner 7:00*

*Good Apple Honoree*



The Texas Appleseed Board of Directors is pleased to name trial lawyer **Robin Gibbs** as this year's Good Apple. Robin spearheads a firm culture committed to pro bono, and his civic and charitable causes have aided communities and at-risk students in Houston and beyond. Robin Gibbs' legal career spans over 45 years, and he's regularly regarded as one of the top trial lawyers in the U.S. He began his career at Vinson & Elkins in 1971 and formed Gibbs & Bruns LLP in 1983, now a nationally-recognized litigation boutique acclaimed for its precedent-setting work across various industries. Robin has served as a Trustee of The University of Texas Law School Foundation since 2008, and is presently the Foundation Chair. Texas Appleseed was honored to have his insight and leadership as a Board Member from 2001-2009. Robin and his firm support a number of issues on which Texas Appleseed works, including providing financial, pro bono legal, and other forms of assistance to families affected by Hurricane Harvey; those affected by homelessness and poverty issues; and dropout prevention for at-risk students in Texas. We look forward to honoring Robin with the *2018 J. Chrys Dougherty Good Apple Award*.

*Pro Bono Leadership Award Recipients*

Texas Appleseed will present the *2018 Pro Bono Leadership Awards* to two outstanding law firms who have been integral to our justice work. Dallas firm **Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP** has been a major contributor to an important fair housing case that will have an impact on how jurisdictions use disaster recovery dollars. **Latham & Watkins LLP** in Houston became a pro bono partner in 2015. This year, Latham & Watkins is working with us to complete a toolkit about debtors' prisons, has developed the core content for a toolkit about school policing and school safety, and is working in conjunction with several other partners to create a guide for criminal attorneys who must notify their clients of potential immigration consequences of their criminal cases.

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*as of August 10, 2018*

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# Texas Appleseed Good Apple Dinner

### ***Champion* \$25,000**

Premier seating for 20

Premier listing as *Champion* in invitation, event program and on signage

Invitations for 20 guests to the Pacesetter reception

10 complimentary valet parking passes

Listing in an advertisement in the *Texas Bar Journal*

Listing on the Texas Appleseed website and in the annual report

*Estimated Fair Market Value: \$2,100*

### ***Advocate* \$15,000**

Premium seating for 15

Premium listing as *Advocate* in invitation, event program and on signage

Invitations for 15 guests to the Pacesetter reception

7 complimentary valet parking passes

Listing in an advertisement in the *Texas Bar Journal*

Listing on the Texas Appleseed website and in the annual report

*Estimated Fair Market Value: \$1,575*

### ***Benefactor* \$10,000**

Preferred seating for 10

Preferred listing as *Benefactor* in invitation, event program and on signage

Invitations for 10 guests to the Pacesetter reception

5 complimentary valet parking passes

Listing in an advertisement in the *Texas Bar Journal*

Listing on the Texas Appleseed website and in the annual report

*Estimated Fair Market Value: \$1,050*

### ***Patron* \$5,000**

Seating for 10

Listing as *Patron* in invitation, event program and on signage

Invitations for 2 guests to the Pacesetter reception

Listing in an advertisement in the *Texas Bar Journal*

Listing on the Texas Appleseed website and in the annual report

*Estimated Fair Market Value: \$1,050*

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# Texas Appleseed Good Apple Dinner

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**Advocate \$15,000** – Dinner for 15

**Benefactor \$10,000** – Dinner for 10

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I will use my table and invite guests.

I will donate my table back to Texas Appleseed to fill on my behalf.

No, I am unable to attend, but I would like to send a contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to support Texas Appleseed's programs and services.

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Please send an invoice to the address above.

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To ensure inclusion in the invitation, please return this form by **October 1, 2018**, along with your payment to the address below or email it to Jamie Sauer at [jsauer@texasappleseed.net](mailto:jsauer@texasappleseed.net). Sponsorships received after this date will be acknowledged only in the event program.

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## ABOUT US

Texas Appleseed is a public interest justice center that works to change unjust laws and policies that prevent Texans from realizing their full potential. We anchor a dynamic network of pro bono partners and collaborators. Together, we develop and advocate for innovative and practical solutions to complex issues. We make this possible by conducting data-driven research to uncover inequity in laws and policies, and then identify solutions for lasting change. Our projects include dismantling the school-to-prison pipeline, payday and auto title lending reform, foster care reform, encouraging diversity in the legal profession, improving lives through disaster recovery and fair housing opportunities, and criminal justice reform, among other issues. When justice is beyond reach, Texas Appleseed provides the ladder.

## ABOUT THE DINNER

Each year since 2002, Texas Appleseed has honored leaders for their contributions to the community at our Good Apple Dinner. The Board of Directors awards the J. Chryse Dougherty Good Apple Award as our highest recognition to luminaries that have helped shape Texas for the better and whose work has inspired us all. Appleseed has honored many amazing Texans, from Charles Butt to Joe Jamail to Charles Matthews, and most recently, Harriet Miers.

We also present our Pro Bono Leadership Award to individuals and firms who have provided much-needed pro bono service to Texas Appleseed on urgent issues. These firms have offered critical help to Texas families and individuals who didn't know where else to turn. Our annual gala also allows us to recognize other groups and individuals with special recognition awards for the important work they've done in their communities and across Texas.

The Good Apple Dinner is successful in furthering our justice work because of the integral support of major institutions, law firms and countless individuals who want to see positive change in Texas. The dinner is a who's who of Texas, attended by attorneys from major law firms, judges and chief justices, other local and statewide public officials, university leaders, corporate leaders, and many other committed individuals. We thank our supporters for their continued pursuit of justice.

The Good Apple Dinner is also just a plain good time. It's a time to reconnect with old friends and make new connections, all while helping further justice for all Texans.