



## BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION

State Bar of Arizona  
4201 N. 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100  
Phoenix, Arizona 85016

January 9, 2019  
4:00 p.m.  
Cholla Room, First Floor

### Minutes (Approved February 13, 2019)

#### MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

P = Present; T = Present Telephonically; A = Absent

Bradley Jardine - P	Michael Goldberg - P
M. Maureen Anders - T	Abe Lai - T
James Anderson - T	Bridget O'Brien Swartz - P
Troy Bales - P	Elizabeth Ortiz - T
James Cross - T	David Shein - A
Robert Denison - T	Wendi Sorenson - P
Monica Donaldson Stewart - A	

#### OTHER ATTENDEES:

State Bar Staff: Sarah Corpening and Patrick Braatz

Minutes taken by Patrick Braatz

#### 1. Call to Order

Called to order by: Bradley Jardine, Chair  
Time: 4:01 p.m.

#### 2. Call to the Public

Danny Goldberg, present as a guest only.

#### 3. Review and Approval of minutes:

The minutes of the December 12, 2108 meeting were reviewed.  
Motion for approval by: Troy Bales  
Seconded by: Michael Goldberg  
Motion: Passed

The minutes of the December 12, 2018 Executive Session meeting were reviewed.  
Motion for approval by: Troy Bales  
Seconded by: Michael Goldberg  
Motion: Passed

#### **4. Update on Survey**

Patrick Braatz reported that the Bar conducted a survey of the membership regarding Specialists. Approximately 1108 members completed the survey and 160 members identified themselves as specialists.

We are currently doing an analysis and we hope to have a report ready for the February Meeting.

#### **5. Appointment of Vice-Chair**

Motion to add to this agenda item made pursuant to State Bar of Arizona Public meetings policy

Motion: Troy Bales

Second by: Wendy Sorenson

Motion: Passed

The appointment of a Vice-Chair will be placed on the agenda of the February 13, 2019 Board Meeting and that all members be informed by e-mail in advance.

Motion: Wendy Sorenson

Second by: Bridget O'Brien Swartz

Motion: Passed

#### **6. Update on Advisory Commissions on Standards Review**

Patrick Braatz reported that all of the Advisory Commissions are working on the Supreme Courts request to review the standards. Worker's Compensation and Real Estate Advisory Commission have submitted their review of the standards.

#### **7. Executive Session 4:10 PM**

Motion to move into Executive Session by: Michael Goldberg

Second by: Wendi Sorenson

Motion: Passed

#### **8. Reconvene into Open Session. 4:20 PM**

Motion to reconvene into open session by: Michael Goldberg

Second by: Wendi Sorenson

Motion: Passed

**9. Consideration of Advisory Commission recommendations for Recertification and Certification as Specialists in the following areas:**

Bankruptcy Law Advisory Commission

7 Recertification Candidates

Motion to accept the recommendations from the Bankruptcy Law Advisory Commissions to recertify specialists by: Troy Bales

Second by: Michael Goldberg

Recuse on one candidate: Jim Cross

Motion: Passed

Real Estate Law Advisory Commission

12 Recertification Candidates

Motion to accept the recommendations from the Real Estate Law Advisory Commissions to recertify specialists by: Troy Bales

Second by: Michael Goldberg

Motion: Passed

Bankruptcy Law Advisory Commission

1 Candidate Initial Certification

Motion to accept the recommendations from the Bankruptcy Law Advisory Commissions to recertify specialists by: Troy Bales

Second by: Michael Goldberg

Motion: Passed

**10. Date of next meeting** – February 13, 2019

**11. Meeting adjourned:** 4:25p.m.