



BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION

State Bar of Arizona
4201 N. 24th Street, Suite 100
Phoenix, Arizona 85016

Wednesday, March 23, 2022 - 4:00 p.m.
via **Zoom on-line meeting**

MINUTES

Approved 4/13/2022

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

P = Present; Z = Present via Zoom; T = Present Telephonically; A = Absent

Wendi Sorensen - Z

M. Maureen Anders - Z

James Anderson - A

James Cross - Z

Robert Denison - Z

Michael Goldberg - A

Georgette Hasiotis - Z

Kimberly Heldt - A

Abe Lai - A

Phoebe Moffatt - Z

Blake Moscatello - Z

Jeffrey Neff - Z

Elizabeth Ortiz - Z

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Jessica Thomas, Administrative Law Advisory Commission

State Bar Staff: Sarah Corpening

Minutes taken by: Sarah Corpening

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Wendi Sorensen

4:10pm.

2. Call to the public – The chair welcomed Jessica Thomas

3. Approval of minutes.

The minutes of the February 9, 2022 General Session meeting were reviewed, no corrections or additions.

Motion for approval by: Robert Denison

Second by: Jeff Neff

Chair call for Vote: Unanimous; Motion Passes

The minutes of the February 9, 2022 Executive Session meeting were reviewed. No corrections or additions.

Motion for approval by: Maureen Stevens

Second by: Elizabeth Ortiz

Chair call for Vote: Unanimous; Motion Passes

4. Executive Session.

Motion to move into Executive Session by: Maureen Anders

Second by: Jim Cross

Chair call for Vote: Unanimous; Motion Passes

Convene into Executive Session

4:12 pm

Reconvene into General Session

4:32 pm

Administrative Law – The intent to deny based on the failure to obtain a passing score on the Administrative Law Specialization exam issued to three candidates stands. The applicants will be invited to supplement their applications and retest without being assessed the exam fee.

The Administrative Law Advisory Commission will be asked to ensure the essays offered on the exam represent the breadth of the practice areas and the exam and grading criteria are to be provided to the BLS for review and approval prior to setting the exam date.

5. Motion to approve the recertification recommendations of Criminal Law Advisory Commission for:

- a. Cindy Castillo
- b. Richard D. Coffinger
- c. Rachelle S. Ferraro
- d. Stephen R. Glazer
- e. Joey N. Hamby
- f. Steven P. Sherick
- g. Howard A. Snader
- h. Jonathan S. Young

By: Jeff Neff

Second by: Jim Cross

Chair call for recusals: No recusals

Chair call for discussion or objection: None

Chair call for Vote: Unanimous Motion Passes

6. Motion to approve the recertification recommendations of Real Estate Advisory Commission for:

- a. Edwin C. Bull

By: Bob Denison

Second by: Jeff Neff

Chair call for recusals: Wendi Sorenson
Chair call for discussion or objection: None
Chair call for Vote: Unanimous, 1 Recusal. Motion Passes

7. **Criminal Law Standards.** Elizabeth Ortiz reporting. The Criminal Law Advisory Commission has met. They will be forming a sub-committee to review and discuss the standards for certification. They will be providing an update to BLS in the near future.

8. **Administrator updates.** Sarah Corpening reporting.
Search for new BLS Administrator continues. An offer was made and accepted by a candidate who unfortunately later withdrew her acceptance. Sarah will continue to handle these duties.

The specialization exams will be held on Saturday, April 9th. Sarah and another Bar staff member will proctor the exams.

9. **Date of next meeting:**
April 13, 2022 – 4 p.m.

10. **Adjourn – 4:49 pm.**