

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HEALTH LAW SECTION OF THE
IDAHO STATE BAR**

April 7, 2011

- IN ATTENDANCE:** Shane Bengoechea; Matt Gordon; Joe McCollum, Jr.; Kendall Miller; Pat Miller; Mark Peterson; Stephanie Westermeier; Mike Wheeler (via telephone); Mike Woodhouse
- INTRODUCTION:** The meeting began by the participants introducing themselves. Mark Peterson noted that this meeting was a celebration of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the health law section of the Idaho State Bar, and some of the participants shared memories of the original founders and events.
- DISCUSSION TOPIC:** Mark Peterson began a discussion of how the section could increase attendance at section meetings. Some of the suggestions gathered from the attendees included: (i) advertising the meetings well in advance and including an agenda; (ii) having a high-quality CLE presentation at each meeting; (iii) creating a roster of section members and their areas of expertise to facilitate referrals within the section; (iv) strategically inviting presenters with perspectives and insights of value to health law practitioners; and (v) encouraging attendance by assigning active members to personally contact specified colleagues.
- FINANCIAL REPORT:** A year-to-date financial report was distributed for review. The number of members paying dues to the health law section appears to have increased as revenue from dues increased by \$250. There followed a discussion on potential donations of excess funds. One suggestion was to use some funds to donate health law reference materials to the Idaho State Law Library.
- PRESENTATION:** Stephanie Westermeier gave a slide presentation on "The Detroit Medical Center/Government Settlement Story." After the presentation, a lively discussion followed.
- CLOSING:** Mark Peterson closed by announcing that Tom Donovan would be giving a presentation at the June section meeting. He also asked members to contact him ahead of time with any items they would like included on the meeting agenda.