

**LITIGATION SECTION GENERAL MEETING**  
**Minutes of Meeting on February 15, 2013**

1. **Attendance:** Proper notice having been given, the following Council members attended in person: Gene Petty, Erika Birch, Kendal McDevitt, Howard Belodoff, and Joe Pirtle. Others in attendance were: Richard Eppink, Gary King (ACLU intern), Ben Ritchie, Mark Prusynski, Josh Taylor, Scott Learned, Mark Geston, Richard Fields, James Jacobson, Randy Schmitz, and Emily Mac Master.

2. **Business Meeting:** Treasurer Gene Petty conducted the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the Section meeting on January 18, 2013. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Gene Petty provided an overview of the Section's excess funds and the need to spend those funds through charitable contributions. The prior decision to provide excess funds to the "Mobile App" was suspended. The Section's sub-committee on charitable contributions will provide recommendations to the Section at the March meeting.

4. **Old Business:**

A. **Follow up on the Free CLE Opportunity:** Discussion was had on a proposed free CLE by out-of-state attorney Tom Howe on the issues of law office time management and e-discovery. Food costs for the CLE are estimated to be between \$300-\$500, which were requested to be provided by the Section. A motion was made and seconded to sponsor the CLE and to pay for the anticipated food costs. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The Section will further consider whether to record the CLE for future rental through the Idaho State Bar.

5. **New Business:**

A. **Follow up on the Trial Skills Academy:** The Section will present plaques to Don Harris and Michelle Points for their work on the Trial Skills Academy over the past several years.

6. **CLE on Initial Disclosures in Federal Court:** Howard Belodoff presented a CLE on initial disclosures under Rule 26(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.