

**Minutes of Meeting
of the
Idaho State Bar Real Property Section**

February 6, 2013

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:

The regular meeting of the Idaho State Bar Real Property Section was held at the Idaho State Bar Center in Boise, Idaho, on Wednesday, February 6, 2013, at 12:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Peter Christofferson presided over the meeting. Members present are set forth on those certain lists provided to the Idaho State Bar for CLE credit or were present by telephone and shall give email notice to Dayna Ferrero. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order.

SECTION BUSINESS:

Old Business:

- 1) Minutes of the December 5, 2012 Section meeting were approved.
- 2) The Real Estate Forms Book is complete and ready to be distributed, pending the addition of a disclaimer and thanks. In the spirit of spending down the Section's excess reserve funds, the Section anticipates that Forms Book will be available of a flash drive or other electronic format at no cost to Section members, but is still working out the details of distribution.
- 3) The Real Property Section is sponsoring the November/December 2013 issue of *The Advocate*. The deadline for entries will be September 11, 2013. The Section is still seeking suggestions for theme and topics. If you have any suggestions or would like to contribute, please contact one of the Section officers.
- 4) The Section's Annual CLE will be held on March 29, 2013 in Sun Valley, Idaho. This year's topic will focus on agricultural investment and land uses in Idaho. The Section is still looking for speakers. If you have any suggestions or would like to contribute, please contact Hilary Soltman.

- 5) The Section has purchased a table at the Idaho Women Lawyers' inaugural dinner, *Celebrating Women in the Law, Making History*. The dinner will be held on March 14, 2013 at the Boise Centre on the Grove. There are still seats available at the table. If you would like to attend, please contact Hilary Soltman.

New Business:

- 1) Jon Stenquist discussed the status of a mobile application containing the Idaho Code. The Section had previously designated funds for creation of a mobile app for the Idaho Code. However, this initiative was preempted by a mobile Casemaker app that includes access to the Idaho Code, which is available to all members of the Bar free of cost. The funds set aside for the mobile Idaho Code app were not spent and will remain in the Section's reserve funds.
- 2) Chairperson Christofferson provided a review of the Section's finances. The Section had a funds overage of approximately \$15,000 at the end of 2012 and therefore has a few thousand dollars left to spend in order to meet the Commissioners' cap. The Section has been very charitable, but is looking for ways to spend this money to benefit the Section's members. If you have any suggestions, please contact one of the Section officers. The Section must provide a report to the Commissioners by February 13 as to how it intends to spend the remaining excess funds.
- 3) The Idaho State Bar's Annual Meeting will be held July 17-19 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The Section is looking for a member (preferably from the Eastern Washington or North Idaho region) to present a CLE at the Annual Meeting. Please contact Chairperson Christofferson if you are interested in presenting or know someone who may be interested.
- 4) The Section discussed a proposal from the Idaho Society of Professional Land Surveyors to amend the definition and requirements of "land surveying" in the Idaho Code to include and authorize "the preparation of written descriptions of real property." The Section was generally amenable to this addition to the definition, but voiced serious concerns over model statutes that *required* the "preparation of legal descriptions" to be performed by a licensed surveyor. Chairperson Christofferson will relay these concerns to the Idaho Society of Professional Land Surveyors.

MONTHLY CLE:

Stuart Kerber and Jack Nowatzki of Northwest Bank presented *The Current Landscape of Commercial Real Estate Financing*.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Section, Chairperson Christofferson declared the meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilary M. Soltman