

# **LITIGATION SECTION GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING**

## **Minutes of October 16, 2009**

### **1. Attendance:**

John Zarian (Councilperson; Chairperson); Mark S. Geston (Councilperson; Secretary); John Goodell (Councilperson; by telephone; Michelle Points, Nate Gamel; Ryan Holden; and Kendal McDevitt.

### **2. Minutes:**

There was some question about whether all Council members had reviewed the draft Minutes previously circulated, so the Minutes were tentatively approved, subject to suggestions for correction at the November meeting.

### **3. Treasurer's Report:**

Bill VanHole was not present so there was no Treasurer's report.

John Zarian raised the subject of planning for the 2010 budget, especially with respect to planning charitable contributions in advance of the coming year.

### **4. Proposed schedule of Council meetings and combined CLEs:**

John Zarian proposed a schedule of meetings for the coming 12 months which were approved as follows:

November 20, 2009: Business Meeting with combined CLE (0.5 hrs.).

December 18, 2009: and lunch with District Judge. Kendal McDevitt will try to get Judge Alan. Ryan Holden will check on the availability of Judge Boyle. Terri Muse advises that CLE credit will be conferred only for sessions with specifically identified legal subjects and informal luncheons with Judges would not, therefore, qualify.

January 15, 2010: Business Meeting and CLE (to be determined). Michelle Points will try to get Joe McCollum to comment on expert witness use and disqualification in Idaho state court litigation.

February 19, 2010: Business Meeting with Judge.

March 19, 2010: Business Meeting with combined CLE.

April 16, 2010: Business Meeting with Judge.

May 21, 2010: Business Meeting with combined CLE.

June 18, 2010: Business Meeting with Judge.

July 14-16, 2010: Breakfast Meeting at State Bar Annual Conference (Idaho Falls).

August 20, 2010: TBD

September 17, 2010: TBD

**5. October 28 – 29, 2010 Sun Valley CLE:**

Topic will be “Technology and the Law” and will be offered as a Thursday afternoon or Friday morning session. John Zarian will ask the Intellectual Property Section to considering offering an additional half-day CLE in conjunction with this.

An informal committee, consisting of John Zarian, Brook Bond, Kendal McDevitt and Wyatt Johnson will move forward with planning.

**6. 2010 Litigation Section sponsored “Advocate” issue:**

Kim Toryanski, being absent, was volunteered to lead this effort.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.