

LITIGATION SECTION GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of April 15, 2011 Meeting

1. Attendance: Proper notice having been given, the following Council members attended in person: John Zarian (Chair, Councilperson), Kendal McDevitt (Vice-Chair, Councilperson), Wade Woodard (Councilperson, Secretary), William VanHole (Treasurer, Councilperson), Lance Salladay (Councilperson), and Mark Geston (Councilperson). Don Harris (Councilperson) attended by phone. Others in attendance were: Chad Bernards, Joe Pirtle, Robert Jackson, Wyatt Johnson, James B. Lynch, Emil R. Berg, Joyce Hemmer, Noah Hillen, Randall A. Peterman, Richard C. Fields, Howard Belodoff, and Judge Terry Myers. Idaho State Bar Representative Mahmood Sheikh also attended.

2. Business Meeting: Chairman John Zarian conducted the meeting. A motion was made and seconded for approval of the prior meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous in approval.

3. Treasurer: Bill VanHole briefly discussed the Section's finances and indicated that the Section is up about \$8000 in revenue due mostly to the Trial Skills Academy. John Zarian then discussed a new solicitation for \$5000 for a symposium regarding the 220th anniversary of the Bill of Rights. Howard Belodoff gave a brief synopsis of the symposium, after which there was a discussion about whether there was any money available in the budget. Bill VanHole indicated that the charitable budget has all been allocated but that there was a possibility donation could be drawn from surplus funds. The discussion ended with a comment by John Zarian that a decision would be made later.

4. Schedule of Meetings: John Zarian asked for comments regarding whether to have a June meeting. No comments were given and no decision was made.

5. Trial Skills Academy: Don Harris indicated that the feedback from participants and mentors was very favorable. Don and Michelle Points have agreed to be in charge of the next Trial Skills Academy.

6. CLE Presentation: Mark Geston introduced United States Bankruptcy Judge Terry Myers. Judge Myers gave a presentation on bankruptcy filings.

There being no other business, the Council meeting was adjourned.