

LITIGATION SECTION GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting on August 18, 2013

1. **Attendance:** Proper notice having been given, the following Council members attended in person: Joe Pirtle, Lance Salladay, Emil Berg, Gene Petty, Clay Gill, Scott Randolph, Chad Bernards and Howard Belodoff. By phone: Ted Reuter. Others in attendance were: Deputy ISB Director Mahmood Sheikh and Jeremiah Hudson.

2. **Business Meeting:** Chair Joe Pirtle conducted the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the General Section Meeting on May 17, 2013 and June 21, 2013. The motion passed by unanimous vote. No minutes were taken during the General Section Annual Meeting on July 18, 2013.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Gene Petty provided an overview of the Section's finances and budget. A copy of the June 30, 2013 Income Statement was distributed and discussed. The Section is in good financial shape. There was discussion of whether the Section would exceed the ISB's threshold on retained dues. Mahmood reported that based upon current membership at \$75.00 per member the Section could retain \$23,700. It was decided to wait until later in the year after new members have an opportunity to join the Section following bar exam results and expenses for CLEs are known before deciding if further expenditures are necessary.

4. **New Business:**

A. **Attorney's Against Hunger:** Jeremiah Hudson, Chair of the Young Lawyers Section, requested the Section donate to the BBQ fundraiser being held on August 29, 2013 at the Idaho State Bar with all proceeds going to the Idaho Food Bank. Discussion was had on whether the Section should donate because the donation would be made to a non legal entity. It was decided that the Section would send out an email to members requesting direct donations be made on behalf of the Section rather than contributing directly to the event. Joe will prepare an email with the event information to be sent to members.

B. **National High School Mock Trial 2016:** Celeste Miller submitted a request for a donation to sponsor the event. Mahmood reported that the ILF has agreed to be a sponsor. The goal is to raise \$100,000. There was discussion that it was too far away to decide on a donation at this time but the request would be considered at a later date.

5. **Section Meeting CLE:** Discussion was had as to the CLE topics for the upcoming section meetings. Members agreed to be responsible for presenting a CLE or securing a speaker for the foregoing meeting as follows:

September	Joe Pirtle	Ethics by Bar Counsel
October	Emil Berg	
November	Erika Birch	
January	Chad Bernards	
February	Clay Gill	
March	Scott Randolph	
April	Howard Belodoff	Depositions
May	Ted Reuter	
June	Gene Petty	

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.