

MINUTES
Professionalism & Ethics Section
December 2, 2025
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order/Introductions

II. Officer Reports

A. Chair Report by Larry Hunter

1. Ethical Happy Hour
 - a. Ram
 - b. Attendance was poor; only about 10 individuals present
 - c. Great time but need more time to get it advertised
 - d. Young Lawyers Section wants to co-sponsor one in the future
 - e. Discussion about moving locations from the Ram due to expense
 - f. Next event early 2026
2. Richard C. Fields Civility Award
 - a. Did not get enough nominations; still taking nominations
 - b. Discussed skipping 2025 and move to 2026
3. Advocate Sponsorship
 - a. The Advocate season has been filled and approved by the editorial board for the next year so there is not an opportunity to sponsor an edition for the next year.
4. Water Users Association Conference Event – Ethics CLE
 - a. Asked P&E to provide CLE at their annual event
 - b. Discussed possibility of an ethics panel
 - c. Larry will send out an email to the section inquiring about interest
 - d. The event is January 19-22, 2026 so there may not be time to do this but it might be a good opportunity to do a panel for other section conferences and maybe boost the section membership in the process.
5. Sponsorship Request for IWL Gala 2026
 - a. Agreed to donate \$200
6. Info re Chair Position
 - a. Larry plans to step down after 1 year so may have elections at February 2026 meeting
7. Annual CLE
 - a. Need to set date for Annual CLE; Teresa Baker will provide date options to the officers and council.
8. Section CLEs
 - a. Requested ideas for CLEs
 - b. Teresa suggested members that might be interested in presenting could get ideas on topics and cases by looking at a website from Thomas Spahn who does a lot of ethics CLEs nationwide. He has a database on his website with topics and cases at <https://leo.mcguirewoods.com/Default.aspx>

B. Financial Report by Robert Aldridge

III. CLE – *Ethical Duties and Obligations of the Attorney of Record in Idaho Probate Proceedings and Trust Administration* by Robert Aldridge

IV. Adjourn (Next Meeting: Feb. 3, 2026 at 12:00 p.m.)