

MINUTES
Professionalism & Ethics Section
Tuesday, June 2, 2026
12pm – 12:50pm MDT

- I. Call to Order by Chair Steve Herring.**
- II. Attendees: Bob Aldridge, Teresa Baker, David Ballard, Jo Beeman, Sarah Davis, John DeFranco, Dan Dinger, Shawna Dunn, Mark Freeman, Jonathan Gradin, Keegan Hahn, Stephanie Hansen, Steve Herring, Jared Larsen, Amy Long, Samantha Lundberg, Ashley Marelus, Dixie Milliken, Texie Montoya, Cody L. Morgan, Joe Pirtle, Jeffrey Street, Floyd Swanton, and Ax Yewer. (24 total)**
- III. 30 Minute CLE presentation by Joe Pirtle, state bar counsel.**
 - A. Review of four recent cases of disciplinary matters at the State Bar.**
- IV. Approved Minutes from April 7, 2026.**
- V. Treasurer Report by Bob Aldridge:**
 - A. Received today the financial report from the bar office. The P&E section has just under \$3000 (up from \$384). Recommends action to increase section membership.**
 - B. The P&E section received a request for donations from Access to Justice. There are not enough funds for a donation, but the P&E section could donate time; perhaps conduct a joint CLE with Access to Justice.**
- VI. Old Business:**
 - A. Steve Herring reported on P&E Officer 30 minute Zoom call held May 20: Steve Herring, Jeffrey Street, and Jo Beeman.**
 - 1. Confirmed .5 CLE program for every P&E Section meeting. Jeffrey Street is responsible for ½ hour ethics CLE on Tuesday, August 4, 2026.**
 - 2. Identified action item. Need a champion (to work with Chair Herring) for the annual Richard C. Fields Civility Award with its three new divisions: litigation, office practice, and young lawyer**
 - B. The annual Ethics CLE conference sponsored by the P&E Section will be held the end of January 2027 and will include the ceremony for the 2026 Richard C. Fields Civility Award. This meets several goals:**
 - 1. Late January 2027 is in advance of the early March 2027 deadline to report CLE credits to the state bar.**
 - 2. The time between now and January 2027 is an opportunity to educate and to work with other sections of the bar about the new divisions within the civility award.**
 - 3. Early 2027 is timely and appropriate for the 2026 civility award.**

- VII. New Business (Teresa Baker): Statewide Annual Bar meeting has been moved from July to a one day event on June 17 in Boise.**
- A. JUMP in downtown Boise will be the venue.**
 - B. 4 CLEs will be offered: 2 in AM; 2 in PM. Topics include next gen issues, Ligertown, AI related issues.**
 - C. Milestone attorneys will be honored.**
- VIII. Adjourn 12:50pm (Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 4, 2026, 12:00 p.m. MDT)**