

# MINUTES

## Child Protection Section

Friday, September 22, 2023 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Via Teleconference/Videoconference

- **Call to Order** – Meeting called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Vice Chairperson Kyle Bringhurst.
- **Approve Minutes from May 2023.** Unanimously approved without changes or corrections.
- **Financial Update** – Secretary/Treasurer Spalding reported that the Section's current balance is \$10,126 as reported by the bar and this figure does not include outgoing CLE funding for a prior event. The Section has a current carry-over limit of \$7,950.
- **Old Business**
  - a. Proposed by-laws amendments were approved by the State Bar.
- **New Business**
  - b. Secretary/Treasurer John Spalding proposed section approval of the governing council being authorized to spend down funds to be under the carry-over limitation in any of the following ways: (1) funding any portion of the 2024 CLE whether that be food, space fees, AV or other bar fees or speaker fees; (2) then work with the bar to carry over if that doesn't work, and (3) failing both of those make donations as necessary. Approved by unanimous consent.
  - c. No meetings until January 26, 2023.
  - d. Upcoming CLEs
    - i. January 2024: An ethics presentation concerning the role of a Guardian ad Litem.
    - ii. February 2024: IDHW prevention protocols
    - iii. March 2024: Family treatment courts
    - iv. April 2024: Conference on ICWA presented by our section and the Indian Law section.
- **Announcements**
  - e. There is currently an opportunity to join child welfare advisory board. Nominations are open.
  - f. Rule changes are out for public comment or will be soon. Please see the Idaho Supreme Court website for more information.
  - g. The Region 4 Citizen Review Panel is looking for members.
- **CLE** – Ada County Magistrate Judge Andrew Ellis and Secretary/Treasurer John Spalding presented the case law and legislative updates. CLE .5 pending.
  - h. **Adjourn.** Meeting adjourned at 12:53 p.m.
  - i. The October meeting will not occur and we are asking members to attend the October 20 CLE on guardianships. It will occur in-person in Bonner County and is also available by Zoom. RSVPs are required and may be made to Janet Meserve at [jmeserve@kcgov.us](mailto:jmeserve@kcgov.us) (please include your bar number).