

Family Law Section Meeting

08/10/2018 - Noon

Roll Call:

Wendy Powell  
Doug Leavitt  
Regan Charlton  
Kim Stretch  
Mike Crawford  
Kristie Browning  
Jen Brumley  
Thalia Radey  
Sarah Mello  
Fred Zundel  
Jennifer Schindele  
Melissa Kibitz

Agenda 1:

Review of minutes – no minutes from June

Agenda 2. Financials – copies distributed and reviewed prior to meeting

Motion to approve – Doug, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kim Stretch; all in favor, no one opposed - Approved

Agenda 3. Committee reports

Seat 1. AFCC in Toronto next year in June – Board member should attend (Wendy Powell)

Seat 2. October CLE (Regan Charlton) – good progress, Renee finalizing details; some requests for CdA and IF (Boise speakers are set); ethics reporter in CdA and IF for an in-person presentation, can use Brad's notes particularly whether attorneys are mandatory reporters as well as common pitfalls and some rule analysis that crosses his desk frequently. He is happy to help someone prepare in North Idaho and SE Idaho.

Case law update – Mackenzie is doing the Boise, Fred Zundel is doing IF, need a speaker for CdA. Can use Mackenzie's materials.

Renee hopes to have the final schedule out shortly

Wendy, request to Jen Brumley to speak on either of those issues at CdA. Jen B asked the date, no one knows it; Regan will provide after the meeting. Jen is not available the first weekend but can otherwise present. She only wants to do one. One option is to present a recording of Brad Andrews at the N. Idaho presentation. This will be a half hour presentation.

There is not a specific theme. Presentations will include: Ethics, Bankruptcy, Mediation preparation (Kristie Browning), Business valuation, case law update, LGBTQ case law update – 6 hours total.

Jen Brumley will get coverage for both the ethics and case law update in N. Idaho.

Regan will email to Jen B. regarding the dates and order of presentation. Order of presentation may vary from one location to another. No order of presentation has been set as of now, coordinate re: travel schedules and availability.

Committee is still working on a title.

Committee will discuss and find a host for CdA and IF (Fred Zundel willing)

### 3. Other CLE – next in-person meeting in September (Wendy Powell/Sarah Mello)

Presentation from US Bank – Women in divorce / death of spouse - CLE credit for ½ hour. Will speak at September in-person meeting.

Concordia/VA speakers for Criminal Justice Project presentation – add to September agenda after meeting and before the CLE. Sarah Mello to notify Joshua Bode (VA)

### Seat 4. Legislative update – no report (Wendy Powell)

### Seat 5. Publications – (Fred Zundel)

Mary Shea's article was 8000 words and was not included in the family law sponsored Advocate. Mary has spent a lot of time on the history but for the Advocate, they want focus on current applicability and practitioner tips. History will need to be saved for the family law handbook. The article may be split into two parts. Mary is hoping/planning to publish in the October Advocate. The Advocate has a 2400-word limit. Wendy suggested a 4-part series; Fred will run this by Mary and Dan. Dan fully realizes the importance of the issue and wants to give it good coverage. Jennifer Schindele indicates that Dan has resigned as editor (health) and the Advocate board is currently lacking an editor. Fred will hold his correspondence until a new editor is appointed.

### 6. Technology – no report (Sarah Mello)

### 7. Resources – no report (Sarah Mello)

### 8. Awards – Family Law Award of distinction awarded. (Jennifer Schindele)

### 10. Community Service – no report (Jennifer Schindele)

Agenda 4. OLD BUSINESS – October CLE already discussed

Agenda 5. NEW BUSINESS

Vacancy (Merritt's seat) - Nominations/recommendations – Kim Stretch suggests Jennifer Roark who has voiced interest. Wendy indicates that J. Roark can simply step into the remaining 6 months without a vote. Wendy can reach out to her as well. Fred voiced that if J. Roark is willing to act then we should go that route. Wendy thinks she would be a good addition and will speak with her directly.

Request for Donation: Need to decide by end of this month. IWL is requesting a donation for March 13, 2019 sponsorship for their annual event. Several levels of sponsorship which includes some tickets. We have \$2,500 budgeted for sponsorship/donation. Wendy recommends that we do a "supporter" level at \$500 which includes 2 tickets. The next level up is almost our whole budget. J. Schindele reminded that

normally we donate to ILF/IVLP/Legal Aid, thus the \$500 level is good for our budget. Fred moves that we donate \$500 to IWL for their annual gala, Regan seconds that motion. We tabled the discussion of who will be attending for the section. No further discussion, all in favor – passed. Wendy will facilitate the donation/sponsorship of \$500 to IWL

Salvation Army wants to buy our mailing list to request inclusion of charitable gifts in estate planning. Sarah Mello opposes selling the mailing list, Kim Stretch joins, Wendy agrees. J. Brumley thinks that it may be beneficial in attorneys finding new business. Sarah suggests offering to place a post on the listserve to provide access to the survey for attorneys. No vote, no decision.

Adjourned at 12:40 p.m.