

Idaho State Bar Diversity Section Minutes
July 22, 2016
Idaho State Bar Offices, 525 W. Jefferson, Boise, ID

In attendance

Jason Gray,
Jennifer King,
Alec Pechota,
Judge Gutierrez,
Ron Bruce,
Linda Pall,
Jennifer Giuttari,
Howard Belodoff
Shaakirrah Sanders
Pam Howland
Jim Cook.

1. **Begin Meeting**-Call to Order. Section Chair Jason Gray called the meeting to order.
2. **Welcome**. Jason welcomed everyone to the meeting. Those in attendance introduced themselves.
3. **CLE Presentation**. Employment law attorney Pam Howland with Idaho Employment Lawyers conducted a presentation entitled Idaho Legal Perspectives on Gender Identity and Sexual orientation. This included a review of federal, state and local law. Ms. Howland provided a PowerPoint of her presentation.
4. **225th Anniversary of the Ratification of the Bill of Rights CLE**. Linda discussed the status of the CLE. Events will be held in Moscow and Boise. The event will begin in Moscow on September. Linda discussed a number of sessions which will be held in both locations, as well as the distinguished faculty. These include a session on the right to counsel by Judge Dale, a session related to excessive violence by police against people of color, a session by Sarah Hahn at the University of Idaho on Citizens United and others. Linda has invited the two Supreme Court candidates to participate in a session where they will each talk for one half hour on the bill of rights. This will be moderated by Professor Richard Seamon.
 - a. **Linda discussed costs**. The CLE will cost \$200 per person per day for 6.5 hours per day, including 1.5 ethics credits. There will be an early bird discount and a discount for Section members.
 - b. **Marketing**. Linda indicated the bar will send out periodic email about the event. It will also be mentioned in the September Advocate.
 - c. **Venue**. The event will be held at the College of Law in Moscow and the U.S. Attorneys office in Boise.
5. **Love the Law**. Jennifer reported. The last meeting was awhile ago. They will be meeting this month. She indicated the Committee needs more people.
6. **Justice for All Award**. Linda discussed the Justice for All award breakfast which took place during the annual bar meeting at the Riverside Hotel in Boise. Judge Gutierrez was awarded

the 2016 Justice For All Award. Jennifer King introduced Linda who presented the award to Judge Gutierrez. Breakfast attendees included ABA President Paulette Brown and Idaho Supreme Candidate Robyn Brody.

7. **New Business.** We discussed holding a conference call before the September 225th Anniversary of the Ratification of the Bill of Rights. We discussed holding a meeting on Friday August 12th at 11 PST, noon MST.
8. **Treasurer's report.** Jennifer indicated the Section has \$14,000, \$3000 of which is set aside for Love the Law.
9. **Funding requests.**
 - a. Alec Pechota requested the Section consider renewing its gift to the Access to Justice Idaho Campaign.
 - b. Jason mentioned there is a pending request from Concordia for scholarship funding.
 - c. Linda suggested we consider these requests at the August meeting which was agreed to.
10. **Future CLE's.**
 - a. Jim suggested a CLE on the legality of banning persons from certain countries or certain religions from entering the U.S.
 - b. Judge G suggested a CLE on representing persons from diverse backgrounds.
 - c. There was discussion about including both in a December CLE.
11. **Adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned at 1 p.m.