Idaho State Bar Diversity Section Minutes September 22, 2017 Meeting Idaho State Bar Offices, 525 W. Jefferson, Boise, ID

In attendance

Jason Gray, Ron Bruce, Courtney Holthus, Andrew Campbell, Judge Sergio Gutierrez, Brit Kreimeyer, 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.
- 3. **Treasurer's report**. Brit indicated that as of July 27 the section had a balance of \$5,029. She indicated she needs to be kept apprized on Section expenses, for example the Justice For All awards breakfast held at the annual meeting. Jason indicated he would follow up.
- 4. **Love the Law**. Love the Law was having a planning session in regards to the October 19th event in Southern Idaho, starting at 12:30 PM on Sept. 22. The next event is scheduled for Oct. 19th in Boise at the Federal Courthouse.
- 5. **December CLE**. Judge Gutierrez and Andrew Campbell, Statewide Language Access Manager, presented the idea for a Section CLE to be held on using interpreters. The Section hasn't had a CLE on that topic for five or so years. Discussion was also had about potentially tying in a session on immigration issues and trying to include ethics credit. Another idea was to include a session on limited guardianships which leave some decision making with wards, a departure from historical practice. After presenting on the idea Courtney moved, and Jim seconded that the Judge and Andrew continue moving forward on arranging the CLE. The Section has historically held a December CLE, typically earlier in the first half of the month, usually around three hours in length.
- 6. **Year-end wrap up**. Jason indicated he would like to generate a year end wrap up on what the Section has done. Judge G. suggested we use this for member recruitment and share with donors.
- 7. **LGBTQ related CLE**. Jim Cook presented on the idea of a 2018 LGBTQ related CLE for the Diversity Section to hold in collaboration with the Family Law Section. He indicated he recently attended an LGBTQ Access CLE sponsored by the Department of Justice and presented by the American Bar Association. That CLE was focused on domestic violence and family law issues. He realized his program is not properly representing the interests of this part of his client community and thought some of the lessons could apply to the private bar. Prior to the meeting he had contacted Jason about the idea of such a training and also the Family Law Section about the idea of collaborating with Diversity on a CLE. The Family

Law Section voted to pursue the idea. Judge G suggested a CLE at the 2018 annual meeting and possibly during the Family Law Section's fall regional CLE's. He also suggested reaching out to the employment law section for ideas. Both Brit and Courtney expressed support for the idea. Jim will continue to work with the Family Law Section but will not bind the Diversity Section without obtaining proper approval.

- 8. **Elections**. Jason indicated the section needs to have an election by the end of the year. Judge G suggested emailing notice to the membership and soliciting potential candidates. Jason indicated he would talk to Mahmood about an announcement. The timing of the election was also discussed. Judge G and Jason thought about giving members two weeks' notice of the vote. Ron suggested listing election on the Section website.
- 9. **Adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned at 12:45.