

**PRACTICE OF LAW BOARD  
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**MEETING MINUTES  
August 17, 2017**

The Practice of Law Board (PLB) met on August 17, 2017 at the Offices of the Washington State Bar Association in Seattle, Washington. PLB members attending were: Hon. Paul Bastine, ret., Chair, Michele Carney, Prof. George Critchlow, Brooks Goode, prof. Robin Jacobson, Dominiqué Jinhong, Andre Lang and Amber Rush, Sarah Sumadi, Gary Swearingen and Doug Walsh attended. Trena Berton, newly appointed Board member; Geoffrey Revelle, Access to Justice Board Chair; Paula Littlewood, WSBA Executive Director; Sean Davis, WSBA General Counsel; Douglas Ende, WSBA Director of Lawyer Discipline; Steve Crossland, LLLT Chair; and Julie Shankland, WSBA Senior Assistant General Counsel also attended.

The Board discussed the purpose set out in the Court's July 2015 Order Reconstituting the Practice of Law Board. The Board also discussed how this purpose overlaps with and is different from the purposes set out for the Access to Justice Board and the Limited License Legal Technician Board. The Board also discussed whether the work group structure is the most efficient way to make progress on its goals.

By consensus, the Board made the following decisions:

- (1) The Board will work as a full Board and will not continue the current workgroup structure.
- (2) The Board will focus on two projects (a) Legal Check Up; and (b) Propose a new exception to GR 24 that authorizes, under appropriate conditions and regulation, websites that provide consumers access to interactive software preparing legal documents. See [GS 84-2.2](#).
- (3) The Board will continue to meet in person and will meet approximately 10 times per fiscal year. The Board will consider cancelling the December meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.