

# **PRACTICE OF LAW BOARD STATE OF WASHINGTON**

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## **MEETING MINUTES**

The Practice of Law Board met on Friday June 6, 2008 in Vancouver Washington, in conjunction with the Access to Justice Conference. Those attending were Steve Crossland, Chair, Hon. Paul Bastine, Vice Chair, Daniel Perez, Nancy Ivarinen, Hon. Jane Smith, Renee Shadel, Meg Bridewell, Howard Marshack, Cheryl Kringle, and Jeanne Dawes. Board investigator Sandra Schilling and Board Administrator, Julie Shankland also attended and acted as secretary to the Board.

### **MINUTES**

The May 2008 minutes were approved with two corrections.

### **SUBPOENA AUTHORITY**

The Board continues to research the Court's authority to grant the POL Board investigative subpoena authority. Board member Dawes provided a summary of the applicable statutes and court rules. Board member Kringle is continuing to research case law. This matter will be discussed further at the July meeting.

### **OPEN BOARD POSITIONS**

The Board discussed two candidates for the open positions.

### **LEGAL TECHNICIAN RULE UPDATE**

Hon. Bastine reported that the Office of Civil Legal Aid determined to not take a position on the proposed Legal Technician Rule.

The Board had a general discussion of whether the Board should contact the press to assist in getting the word out about the POL Board and its mission. The Board also discussed its role in explaining or advocating for the proposed rule. The Board views its role as educational. A motion was made, seconded and

passed unanimously for Mr. Crossland to contact the Chief Justice regarding a meeting with the Court.

#### **CHANGE IN SEPTEMBER MEETING DATE**

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to change the date of the September POL Board meeting from September 12 to either September 18 or 19.

#### **CHANGE IN FORMAT OF MINUTES**

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to include the names of those found to have committed UPL in the minutes of the meeting after the Board finding.

The Board voted to find UPL in the following matters in May 2008:

David C. Austin

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The meeting was adjourned.