

**WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION**  
**Creditor-Debtor Section**  
**Executive Committee**

**Minutes re: Zoom Meeting of Executive Committee on September 13, 2022 @ 2:00 p.m.**

Meeting location: NWBI – Zoom

In attendance: William Malaier, Bruce Medeiros, Todd Tracy, Jennifer Faubion, Sallye Quinn, David Kazemba, Jacob DeGraff, Darren Digiacinto, Christina Henry, Thomas Dashiell (EC), Jacob DeGraff (EC), Jody McCormick, Michael Sperry, Nicole Springstroh (YLR), Michael Rogers (YLR), Carolyn MacGregor (WSBA)

1. INTRODUCTIONS:

Bruce Medeiros called the meeting to order a 2:05 p.m.

Bruce thanked outgoing members of the Executive Committee for their service to the Section. He then introduced new Executive Committee members Jody McCormick and Michael Sperry. He also introduced Nicole Springstroh and Michael Rogers as new Young Lawyer Representatives.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of May 12, 2022 and Regarding the Young Lawyer Representative Special Meeting

The Executive Committee reviewed the minutes of the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meeting held on May 12, 2022 and the Special Meeting to review candidates for the Young Lawyer Representative position. Jenny Faubion moved for approval of the minutes. Bruce Medeiros seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. RECEIVERSHIP TASK FORCE

Todd Tracy advised that there was no update regarding the Receivership Task Force.

4. CLE UPDATES

Michael Sperry gave an update on the upcoming Liens CLE on December 7, 2022. The Executive Committee discussed having some type of social event following the Liens CLE to increase section member participation. The EC also discussed holding the

December EC Meeting at the conclusion of the CLE. Carolyn MacGregor provided WSBA guidance on what type of event could be hosted at the WSBA CLE facility (could alcohol be provided and served). Jennifer Faubion also offer to host an event or the EC meeting at Cairncross at the conclusion of the CLE. The EC decided to continue to research the possibility of a social event or holding the EC meeting following the CLE.

The EC brainstormed additional topics for future CLE's.

No action was taken.

## 5. LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

Christina Henry updated the EC on last year's bills and actions taken.

It was unknown what might be coming up in the 2023 session.

Todd Tracy brought up the draft of the money transfer bill and how it might apply to lawyer trust accounts. No further discussion was had.

Bruce Medeiros and Bill Malaier reviewed the procedures for reviewing legislation sent to the Section for comment. Carolyn MacGregor provided further information regarding WSBA policies related to actual support of any proposed legislation.

Christina Henry advised that it was likely that the personal property exemption bill would be reintroduced. A discussion followed regarding the actions taken by the EC during the 2022 legislative session regarding that particular version of the bill. Bill Malaier and Bruce Medeiros noted that the Section had received a number of comments from list serve members and that there was no consensus amongst section members on the bill and therefore, the EC voted to take no action, other than to monitor the bill. Christina expressed her hope that in the 2023 session, the EC might be able to take some other action, on those sections of the bill that might be non-controversial.

## 6. CURRENT FINANCIALS

Bruce Medeiros reviewed the current financials for the Section. Bruce Medeiros noted that in the past, the bulk of the Section's income came from the in-person CLE's. Bruce and Michael Sperry noted that in the current environment and with changes to the WSBA CLE attendance requirements, the bulk of CLE's are either online or purchased for viewing from the WSBA CLE Store. As a result, the CLE income has decreased.

Todd Tracy noted that the increase in dues was approved and so we should see some additional income from membership fees in 2022-2023.

7. FY 2022-23 BUDGET APPROVAL

Bruce Medeiros pointed out that the Budget had been submitted but a review of the May minutes revealed that the EC had not actually voted to approve the Budget. Todd Tracy moved to formally adopt and approve the FY2022-2023 Creditor Debtor Section Budget. Jennifer Faubion seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

8. NWBI PLANNING COMMITTEE

Bruce Medeiros gave an update on the 2023 NWBI to be held in Portland Oregon. OSB was working with the venue to secure dates.

A new WSBA Creditor Debtor Section Member was needed for the NWBI Planning Committee from western Washington. Michael Sperry volunteered to join the NWBI Planning Committee.

Jennifer Faubion moved to approve Michael Sperry as the western Washington member of the NWBI Planning Committee. Bill Malaier seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

9. NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business.

10. NEXT MEETING

The date for the next meeting was not set pending further discussion about holding it in conjunction with the Liens CLE.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Bill Malaier moved to adjourn the meeting. Todd Tracy seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Todd Tracy