## WSBA CONSTRUCTION LAW SECTION COUNCIL MEETING

## 3.8.2023 @ 12:00 p.m.

MEETING	CALL IN INFORMATION		
Virtual Zoom Meeting	Dial: +1 253 215 8782 or +1 669 444 9171		
Only	Meeting ID:	812 5830 6719	
J. Beyerlein	Passcode:	704802	
T. Henry			
B. Reed			
S. Millstein	Join Zoom Meeting		
P. Spratt	JOIN 200	in Meeting	
E. Perka			
R. English	Meeting URL:	:https://LanePowell.zoom.us/j/81258306719?pwd=dGd	
L. Holohan		MRDhUNU1pdDA0QVFyczRmVnh0QT09	
M. Yamada			
B. Sinner			
C. MacGregor			

## <u>AGENDA</u>

1. Welcome — J. Beyerlein | This Day in History — Seth Millstein (re drummer for Iron Maiden)

2. Approval of March 2022 minutes – J. Beyerlein

Minutes are approved.

Mid-year / Annual CLE Planning (2023)– R. English / J. Beyerlein / B. Reed
Mid-Year Date: June 2, 2023

While Judge Jim Rogers and Judge Tanya Thorp have agreed to speak. Federal District Court Judge Estudillo has not confirmed. Jennifer will send an email to the Judge's clerk, and attempt to obtain a confirmation that he is going to be available to attend.

We don't have a presenter yet for the delays and damages in a multi-party setting. Jennifer is working the issue with Ankura, with the scheduled presenter thinking that teaming with a scheduler, perhaps HKA, which sponsored our Spring event, may be a possible addition to the presentation.

Presentation materials due perhaps early May.

4. Council Elections

Seth and Carolyn are on the Elections/Nominating Committee, and they are looking for an non-member of the Council to fill the spot on the Committee. Carolyn says there is no prohibition for a current Council member to be on the Nominating Committee.

*Timelines for those interested in Executive Council positions are as follows:* 

Applicant timeline proposal

i.	Applications Open:	3/12/2023
ii.	Applications Close:	4/17/2023
iii.	Voting Opens:	6/5/2023
iv.	Voting Closes:	6/19/2023

Jennifer discussed what positions on the Council, including officer positions, are going to be determined this year.

The Committee is seeking a short statement of interest in those seeking a position on the Council. The Council also discussed having the Committee developing and posting a list of expectations for members that require some minimal level of active participation in the business of the Council.

5. "Lunch with Lawyers" Law School Outreach (UW/SU/Gonzaga) Update - S. Millstein

Seth reported having had "Coffee with Counsel" and suggested that the interested student might be provided with an opportunity to have an article published in the newsletter, and perhaps be given free admission to the Mid-Year.

6. "Winter" Forum (Cutters) – B. Reed Update

Bart said that with an absence of suggested topics, the suggestion is to perhaps celebrate the retirement of Judge Beth Andrus, doing so in perhaps April, and that the Section perhaps provide some sort of plaque or award commemorating her contributions to the Section.

The Council entertained and passed a motion, allowing Bart to move forward with the planning of such an event and what the thank-you award/gift might be.

The Council entertained and passed a motion to ask the Bar's approval to allow a one-time expense of up to \$750 for an award/gift for Judge Andrus.

Discussed obtaining a sponsorship for the event beverages, and what possible sponsors might be approached.

7. Financial Report – E. Perka

*Ellie new balance is about \$62,000, with the account having grown by about \$4,000 in the last month.* 

8. Road Trip CLE Report (March 23) – P. Spratt / A. Murphy

Paige mentioned the notice that has been send by the Bar. The Benton County Bar has only obtained eight registrants and two in person. The speakers' materials are due next week, and Paige is going to cover the bid protest topic.

Paige will work with Carolyn to get an email blast out to the Construction Section Listserve.

9. Field Trip (formerly fall forum) – B. Reed

Bart reported that WSDOT is excited to host us for this event, likely in September.

10. Desk Book Update – R. English

Ron has contacted the 45 authors. Some have retired, but it appears that

- 11. Construction Section Subcommittees--J. Beyerlein
  - Lifetime Achievement Award Committee Todd / Seth
  - CLE Subcommittee
  - Newsletter Subcommittee
  - Legislative Subcommittee
  - Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Subcommittee
  - Social Event Subcommittee

Jennifer discussed the possible of standing subcommittees, and discussed the possibility of the foregoing list being among those "standing" subcommittees that the Council may want to consider forming and maintaining.

Ron discussed the possibility of a Deskbook Subcommittee, and mentioned the Editorial Board that was constituted and assisted with the assembly and editing of the last edition of the Deskbook.

The Committee discussed the possibility that each member of the Council would be expected to serve on a standing subcommittee, so that everyone has a motivation for playing an active role as a part of their role as a member of the Council.