

## Elder Law Executive Committee – Monthly Teleconference

Tuesday, June 16, 2020, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

### MEETING MINUTES

#### PRESENT

**Miriam Ayoub**, Chair-Elect  
**Carla Calogero**, Secretary  
**Mathew Parker**, Treasurer  
**Sage Graves**, Legislative Co-Chair  
**Megan Farr**, Legislative Co-Chair  
**Ronald St. Hilaire**, Grants Co-Chair  
**Patrick Erker**, Grants Co-Chair  
**Michael Longyear**, Outreach/Mentorship Co-Chair  
**Kameron Kirkevold**, Trustee  
**Mark C. Vohr**, Trustee

#### Liaisons:

**Bryan Wichert**, Young Lawyer Liaison  
**Eleen Trang**, WSBA Sections Program Specialist

#### Guests:

Margaret Cheong  
Meredith Grigg  
Nicholas Pleasants

#### EXCUSED/NOT PRESENT

**Karen Boxx**, Chair, Immediate Past Chair  
**Eric Brunstrom**, Outreach/Mentorship Co-Chair  
**Amy Freeman**, Communications Co-Chair  
**Lisa Kremer**, Communications Co-Chair  
**Suzanne Thompson Wininger**, CLE Co-Chair  
**Angela Macey-Cushman**, CLE Co-Chair  
**Ann LoGerfo**, Trustee

#### Liaisons:

**Sunitha Anjilvel**, BOG

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#### *June 16, 2020 Meeting Chaired by Miriam Ayoub*

#### WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MINUTES

#### April Meeting Minutes, May Meeting Minutes.

April Meeting Minutes and May Meeting Minutes were submitted for approval. **Mark** made a motion to approve April and May Meeting Minutes, **Matt** second. Vote called – April and May meeting minutes approved unanimously.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

**Matt** reviewed the Section financial reports circulated prior to meeting. The reports cover the fiscal year through April (50%) complete. Section balance was \$80,690.03.

**Miriam**: Karen circulated the WSBA CLE Revenue Fiscal Policy (as of July 2018) in advance of June meeting. **Matt** reviewed the policy with the Committee.

#### ELECTIONS UPDATE/REPORT.

**Megan** reviewed the elections results circulated prior to the meeting and reported:

- No contested positions.
- Changes to current committee members and positions: Meredith Grigg is Chair Elect (2021-2022); Nicholas Pleasants is joining the Committee in an At-Large Member (Trustee) position; Amy will serve as At-Large Member; Karen will serve as Communications Co-Chair.

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE/REPORT.**

**Sage:** No Special Session has been called.

**Megan** reported that she and Mark have joined the WSBA RPPT workgroup looking at the Uniform Electronic Wills Act, as it is anticipated that Senator Jaime Pederson will introduce the Act in the coming session. The work group will meet every two weeks through October.

### **GRANTS UPDATE/REPORT**

**Patrick** introduced guests Meredith Grigg and Margaret Cheong (will be 3L at Seattle University). Margaret was selected as the 2020 intern for the summer Elder Law Internship at Northwest Justice Project (NJP), which Meredith Grigg is overseeing at NJP.

**Meredith** shared that since its inception 9 years ago the internship was housed and led by Columbia Legal Services (CLS). After CLS changed its focus in 2019, the funding and internship has come to NJP. This year the internship will be a remote position due to COVID-19.

**Margaret** thanked the Committee for the opportunity and said she is excited to advocate for low-income seniors.

**Meredith** described the work she and Margaret will be doing this summer, including a Medicaid appeal, litigation regarding low-income tenants, outreach to Senior Centers and to Pacific Islander Native communities and populations most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic in this area.

**Patrick** reported that he and Ronald are exploring updating the video providing our membership and the public an overview of the Elder Law Internship and will explore options with Meredith.

### **OUTREACH & MENTORSHIP UPDATE/REPORT**

**Mike** reported that he and Eric are still wanting to get some form of networking opportunity on the calendars at UW and SU Law Schools for the Fall but much uncertainty due to COVID-19. Mike reported discussions are ongoing with regional Estate Planning Councils and other groups to provide a presentation on Elder Law (but much uncertainty due to COVID-19). Mike suggested it would be good for the Outreach and Communications Co-Chairs to confer about outreach, mentorship and networking.

### **CLE UPDATE/REPORT**

Neither Angela nor Suzanne were able to attend this June Committee meeting. No updates from other Committee members.

### **COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE/REPORT**

**Amy:** No new report or updates.

### **OTHER**

Eleen reminded Committee members that the Board of Governors meet June 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. She also reminded the Committee that the first draft of the Section budget is due to WSBA by July 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Meeting ADJORNED.**

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### **Upcoming Events and Meetings:**

Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> – Monthly Executive Committee Teleconference Meeting at 12:30 – 1:30 pm.