

WSBA Indian Law Section Executive Committee Meeting Agenda Tuesday, February 18, 2025 | 12 p.m.

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approve Meeting Minutes
 - a. January 2025 Minutes. Exhibit A
- 3. Section Budget Report
 - a. December 2024 Budget Reports Exhibit B
- 4. Subcommittee Reports
 - a. CLE Committee
 - b. Mentorship Committee
 - c. Communications Committee
 - d. Bylaws Subcommittee
- 5. New Business
 - a. ILS Elections
- 6. Good of the Order
- 7. Next EC Meeting March 17, 2025 | 12 p.m. | Teams

Executive Committee Members

Chair – Andrew Pollom
Chair-Elect – Dillon Spiess
Secretary/Treasurer – Gregg Busch
Immediate Past Chair – Brenda L. George
Young Lawyer Liaison – [Vacant]

At- Large Members: Daniel Rey-Bear

Jocelyn Cooney McCurtain

Andrew Fuller

Dillon Spiess

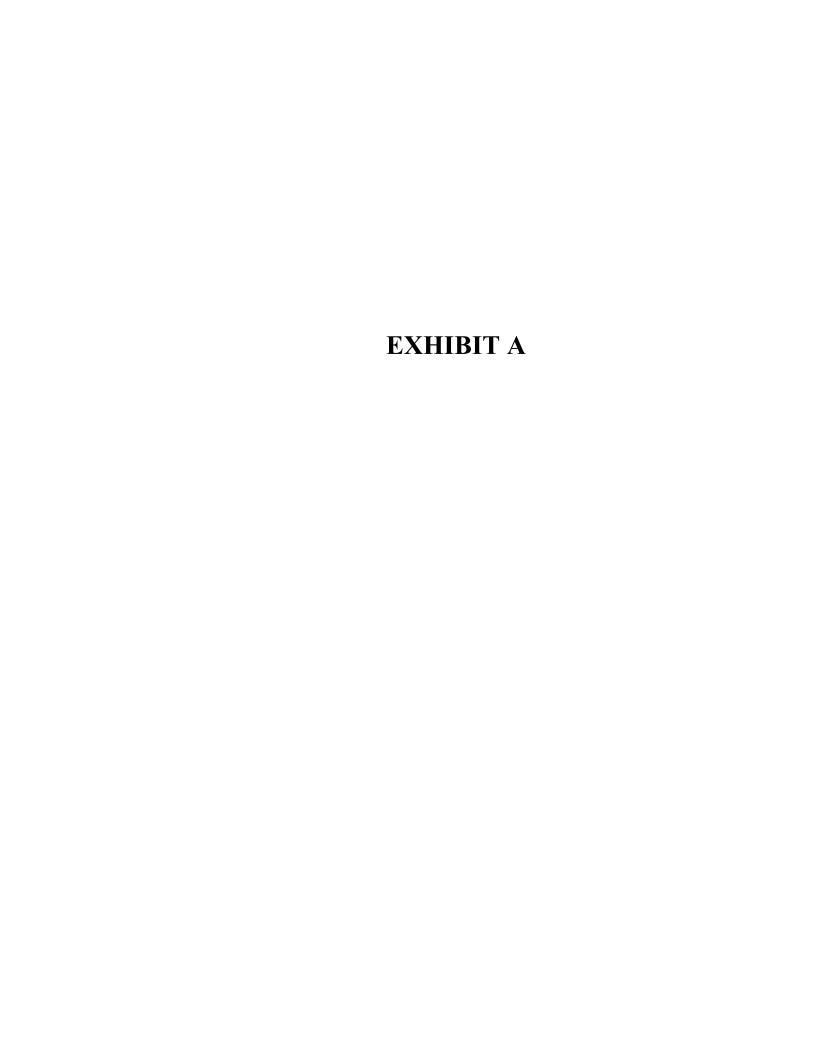
Jessica Roberts

Claudette Rushing

Dawn Keller

Tom Schlosser

Shana Voelckers



Approved

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Indian Law Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

01/21/25 Remote: Teams call in only

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Drew called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Andrew Pollom, Chair
Greggory Busch, Secretary/Treasurer
Shona Voelckers, At-Large Member
Tom Schlosser, At-Large Member
Andrew Fuller, At-Large Member
Jessica Roberts, At-Large Member
Daniel Rey-Bear, At-Large Member
Jocelyn McCurtain Cooney, At-Large Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Carolyn McGregor, WSBA Staff Liaison

Meeting Quorum: A majority of the thirteen (13) voting executive committee membership constitutes a quorum

needed for action, which is a total of seven (7) or more voting members.

* Indicate non-voting member

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve of December meeting minutes, with changes made by Daniel Rey-Bear and Greggory Busch, passed unanimously.

IV. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

1. CLE Subcommittee

Chair Drew gave report from CLE subcommittee. CLE event May 15-16 has now reserved room in the Tulalip Admin Building; Tulalip is excited for the event. Goal for February is for WSBA to have a signed contract with Tulalip for event.

There are 15 proposed topics for CLE; CLE subcommittee to meet soon to confirm agenda for event. Last year's agenda was finalized mid-March, and that is the plan for this year as well. Chair Drew opened floor for questions and feedback.

Member At-Large Tom Schlosser asked for further discussion on the Agenda subjects presented as Exhibit C, and noted that some speakers may not be able to attend in-person due to locational issues.

Member At-Large Daniel Rey-Bear volunteered to reach out to one potential speaker regarding jurisdiction issues.

2. Mentorship Subcommittee

Member At-Large Jessica Roberts gave report regarding the \$3,400 budget. Subcommittee is hoping to coordinate with Ogden Murphy Wallace; also reaching out to undergraduates (SU Indigenous People's Institute) and host event presenting clear outline of potential pathways for undergraduates to be admitted to law school (deadlines, at least 1 year in advance). Jessica renewed the subcommittee's request for Executive Committee members to please consider participating in events even if you aren't in the mentorship committee, as it would be inspiring for the students to see Executive Committee participate.

Chair Drew said Q1 2025 is target for Ogden Murphy Wallace event, and he would love to see more people involved in mentorship committee. CLE is mostly administrative work at this point.

Dan Rey-Bear brought up opportunity for national moot court in Vegas. It is a great opportunity to meet students and guide as Indian Law advocates. NALSA is also happening in Vegas at that time; Gonzaga is traveling as non-participants, many law school students (Drew will also be there with SU team). Drew looks forward to seeing who can participate.

3. Communications Subcommittee

Chair Drew gave report. Kevin Burdet, clerk for Puyallup Tribal Court, is interested in being Newsletter Editor. Section would put together 1st round editing for articles, with potential to use WSBA's outside newsletter designer to build the ILS newsletter (the content creator is a vendor other sections use).

WSBA Liaison Carolyn sent examples, which are available for review. Setup for vendor could be minimum cost based off of repeat business, or ILS could also build out our own digital newsletter. The Communications subcommittee felt that initial newsletter formatting would be best outsourced.

April 1st publication date is goal.

Tom Schlosser asked what cost was for vendor. Carolyn said it's ranged between \$400-500 to \$1200. Vendor will evaluate based on length and visual.

Secretary/Treasurer Gregg raised concern about April 1 publication date, Drew said April 2nd is a good date too.

<u>Motion</u>: Approve Kevin Burnett as Indian Law newsletter editor. Seconded by Daniel Rey-Bear. Unanimously approved (8-0).

v. OLD BUSINESS

1. Holiday Party Debrief

i. Chair Drew gave report. 8-10 people at Alibi Room. Smaller event, but was first in 5 years. Grateful to Stephanie and Brenda for making it happen, and for Dan who came all the way from Spokane. Newsletter and holiday party can be built up over time.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bylaw Amendment Subcommittee

- ii. Chair Drew raised issue of a conflict in the bylaws regarding timing of member board meeting at our CLE vs. how ILS has historically done it at Indian Law CLE. Is there interest in forming subcommittee to amend bylaws? Who is interested?
- iii. Daniel Rey-Bear: Current bylaws date from November 2017. Are there other issues? Drew said the section needs to take a look. Drew brought up issues about non-attending members of board: any recommendations, changes to officers?
- iv. Daniel Rey-Bear: Are there any changes in WSBA in terms of governance by sections that WSBA may require us to change for compliance?
 - a. WSBA Liaison Carolyn says 2017 overhaul was moved to similar format template; whenever amendments, WSBA general counsel will review for compliance. Even if we don't do it, GC will review and let us know.
 - b. One thing Carolyn noted has changed in WSBA bylaws is inactive bar members may now be active members of sections, if section so chooses. E.g. retired bar member previously could not serve, but now can do so, including active voting members. Also, voting sections say June (but individual sections

say May). Hasn't been an issue there. Section 6.4 says voting is March-May; can be may-June.

v. Andrew, Shona and Gregg interested in forming this Bylaw Amendment Subcommittee. Gregg and Andrew to schedule dates and times after review of bylaws.

VII. Good of the Order

None.

VIII. Adjourn (Action)

Chair Drew Pollom, with the consent the Executive Committee, adjourns the meeting at 12:37 pm.

Next Meeting: February 18, 2024: 12 P.M.; Remote via Teams

