# WSBA Labor & Employment Section Executive Committee DRAFT Minutes for Wednesday, August 9, 2017

Present or on the phone: Sarah, Jillian, Jim, Brad, Julianne, Jamal, Emily, Shelly, Leslie, Erica

## 1. Law Student Scholarships

• We are all set

## 2. Annual Section Budget

• Katie did a great job with the budget. It has been submitted to WSBA and is now final

#### 3. Presentations for Mini-CLE

- Judges Shea and Mendoza are confirmed for the judges' panel. Both are
  enthusiastic and they are discussing topics. Shea expressed interest in public
  policy issues. Mendoza expressed interest in addressing agricultural issues. In
  addition, the local rules are being modified and final revisions will be made by
  early to mid-September.
- Judge Peterson was invited but withdrew because she has one of the Arelene's Flowers cases, which will be discussed in the prior substantive panel. Jim will reach out to her and encourage her to join us in the future.
- Emily will remove Judge Peterson's name from the CLE materials that have already been sent out

#### 4. Annual Settle CLE

- We need to get in touch with Sondra about coordinating speaker logistics
- Jim will draft a preliminary panel schedule and circulate it next week
- We are making good progress on panels and agreed to communicate via email about developments rather than waiting until our next meeting in September for updates.

# Panel/Speaker Updates:

- 1. Cybersecurity: Leslie is continuing to work on this panel
- 2. The Gig Economy: Jennifer Robins and Harry Correll are confirmed. Shelly will moderate and welcomes guidance from committee members about direction of the panel.

- 3. Free Speech/Hate Speech: Jamal reported that he and Laura are working on speakers. We discussed the following speakers:
  - Jesse Wing (ACLU/Plaintiffs perspective
  - Danielle Franco Malone (Scherin),
  - Dan Swedlow (Employer)
  - The committee strongly endorsed Jesse but expressed reservations about the other two speaker because that we already have a robust presence from Schwerin Campbell and even though Dan Swedlow is a great speaker, this is not necessarily his area of expertise.
  - Jamal and Laura will explore other speakers including an attorney for the Tacoma School District and/or Bruce Johnson. They will also reach out to Jesse for employer-side speakers.
- 4. Early Mediation. Katie is moderating this panel with Nancy Maisano and Alex Higgins. They have both confirmed.

There were no other panel updates since our last meeting.

# 5. Young Lawyer Liason

• Emily has agreed to extend her term one more year, until September 30, 2018

# 6. WSBA Updates from Julianne

- (A) Bylaw Amendment Process. The BOG approved the Section bylaws and they in effect as of July 28, 2017.
- (B) The migration of the WSBA website now in process.
- (C) Due to staffing turnover, Julianne is now covering all 28 sections. WSBA hopes to have additional staff soon.
- (D) WSBA's Fall Section Leaders' Meeting is October 26, 2017. For those who cannot attend in person, it will be available via webcast, conference call and/or recording.
- (E) Fall open sections' night will be in Tacoma this year on November 1, 2017. WSBA is trying to rotate the city for the fall open section night.

Next meeting: Jim will buy pastries so come to the WSBA offices!

# Adjourn 9:45