

Agenda  
WSBA World Peace Through Law Executive Committee Meeting  
November 17, 2021 4:30 pm (PST)  
Zoom conference call – links below

- Minutes
  - (I took the liberty of attaching the minutes draft previously sent out, with small changes to reflect that the Chair-Elect (me) is merely *servi*ng as Chair, not *bein*g Chair. This lets us avoid having to find another Chair-Elect.)
- Reports
  - Officer Reports
  - Past-Chair: Annual Report (due Dec 3)
  - Event Subcommittee and the 2022 Calendar
- Old Business?
- New Business
  - (I distinctly recall that someone wanted to discuss something but I do not have a record of it; was it about Listening Sessions? Let us talk about whatever-it-was first)
  - WSBA De-integration & WPTL (*see #1 below*)
- For The Good Of The Order
  - 11/15/2021 Section Leader Training (See below)
- Anything Else?
- Adjourn

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APPENDIX #1

***WHAT I GOT FROM MONDAY'S SECTION LEADER TRAINING (and I'd like to hear what you got if you attended)***

**1. WSBA DE-INTEGRATION: CALL FOR SECTION COMMENT**

The BOG wants each section to comment on how de-integrating WSBA would affect it - the good and the bad.

*Background:* as I see it, "de-integration" is splitting WSBA into essentially a licensing board (participation is mandatory if you want to practice law here) and a voluntary professional association (membership is optional).

Attempts to compel the split based upon First Amendment Speech rights seem to have been resolved by WSBA's zealous use of the Keller Deduction; no member has to pay dues for anything that could be remotely construed as speech beyond that of a licensing board. However, there remains the possibility of challenges based on Associational rights.

BOG wants to be proactive in thinking about the issue. This is NOT to say BOG thinks de-integration is likely (or unlikely, or anything); it just wants to be prudent. Therefore it would like each Section to weigh in on the likely impact of deintegration.

How might we think about this?

**2. OPEN MEETINGS vs. PUBLIC RECORDS**

\* WSBA, as a body of the Washington State Supreme Court, is not subject to Washington State's Open Meetings Act; however WSBA has a policy that is comparable in practical terms. For WPTL purposes, we should consider all meetings open to the public (CLEs may have entry fees but we don't take any action at them). I can not think of a reason why would not welcome any non-disruptive participation (for example, we don't do personnel issues) but IMO it's reasonable to ask about Open Meetings and we should have a reasonable answer. If this ever gets to be a contentious issue, we can dig deeper; WSBA's General Counsel is ready to help.

\* PUBLIC RECORDS: WSBA does have some obligations to comply with records requests, and has exceptions. If WSBA does not have a record, WSBA will not produce it. Meetings that are recorded on WSBA-controlled media might be produced; meetings recorded on your media will not. While this is rarely an issue for WPTL, each of us should be aware of it and Practice Safe Data. NOTE: If we as individuals are associated with some other entity, that other entity might have records production requirements. It is up to you to consider using only tools (such as email addresses) that you control, not anyone else.

### 3. RESOURCES:

We need not be shy about asking questions of WSBA's staff to anticipate and resolve issues early. WSBA's General Counsel is ready to help.

A recording of the training will be available soon on WSBA's website.

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#### APPENDIX #2: ZOOM LINKS

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/91777343144?pwd=cFBGRG5VY01ETHQxcFJyaHZCQVRudz09>

Meeting ID: 917 7734 3144

Passcode: 929619

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