

**WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
LAW CLERK BOARD**

PUBLIC MINUTES

June 2, 2023

Law Clerk Board Members in Attendance

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emily Mowrey, Chair | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alexa Ritchie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tracy Finnegan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christell Casey |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michelle Myers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Drutman |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Meyers | <input type="checkbox"/> Jim Reinhart |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leone Reinbold | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Epperley |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Benjamin Phillabaum | |

Staff and others in attendance for some or all the meeting

Cathy Biestek, Managing Regulatory Counsel; Anne Trent, RSD Paralegal; Kevin Fay, BOG liaison

Public Session

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The April 7, 2023, Law Clerk Board (Board) public meeting minutes were approved.

Jurisprudence Workgroup

The Board voted to apply the new jurisprudence guidelines to the existing jurisprudence reading list. Christell will work with Katherine to select books to send to Board members for review.

Chair Nomination FY 2024

The Board voted unanimously to appoint Emily as chair for fiscal year 2024.

Outreach and Updates

Cathy updated the Board that Katherine is scheduling a meeting with the pipeline committee of the DEI council for support in outreach efforts.

Executive Session

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The April 7, 2023, Law Clerk Board (Board) confidential meeting minutes were approved.



Requests

- The Board approved two leave requests
- The Board approved one fourth year proposal
- The Board approved one leave of absence request
- The Board reviewed one jurisprudence book requests:
 - We Own This City – Denied as it does not have a substantial relationship legal history, legal philosophy, legal theory, legal biography, or legal practice and/or procedure.
 - You Might Go to Prison – Approved
 - Junk Science – Approved
 - Why the Innocent Plead Guilty - Approved

Applications

The Board approved two applications for enrollment in the Law Clerk Program beginning when the final confirmation letter is sent:

Evaluations

- The Board conducted three first-year evaluations and approved continuation in the program upon completion of all remaining first year coursework and book reports
- The Board conducted five fourth-year evaluations and approved successful completion of the program upon submission of all remaining coursework and book reports:

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Skinner, Law Clerk Program Lead

