

# **Practice of Law Board**

Established by Washington Supreme Court Administered by the WSBA Michael Cherry, Chair

## Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2021

<u>Members Present</u>: Chair Michael Cherry, Jeremy Burke, Pearl Gipson-Collier, Dr. David Sattler, Mir Tariq, and Michael Terasaki.

Members Excused: Brooks Goode.

<u>Also Attending</u>: Lesli Ashley (Nominated), Sarah Bove (Nominated), Dr. June Darling (Nominated), Governor Jordan Couch (BOG Liaison), Thea Jennings (WSBA Assistant General Counsel), and Kyla Jones (WSBA Paralegal).

#### **PUBLIC SESSION**

Chair Michael Cherry called the meeting to order once a quorum was established at 1:00 p.m.

1. Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the September 16, 2021 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

- 2. <u>Updates</u>
  - a. **Operations** 
    - i. <u>Recruitment and Onboarding</u>

Chair Cherry announced that Lesli Ashley, Sarah Bove, Dr. June Darling, and Professor Drew Simshaw's applications have been sent to the Court and we are awaiting their official appointment letters. Chair Cherry welcomed Governor Jordan Couch as the incoming liaison from the Board of Governors and acknowledged Governor Sunitha Anjilvel's great contributions to the POLB.

ii. Subcommittee Assignments

Chair Cherry announced subcommittee assignments as follows:

- Education Legal Checkup Dr. David Sattler, Michael Terasaki, Lesli Ashley, Brooks Goode
- Innovation Legal Laboratory
  Pearl Gipson-Collier, Sarah Bove, Drew Simshaw, Mir Tariq
- Diversity Michael Terasaki and Sarah Bove
- UPL
  - Jeremy Burke and Dr. June Darling
- iii. Equity and Disparity Workgroup

Mir Tariq provided an update on the Equity and Disparity workgroup. The workgroup is proposing topics to focus on related to access to courts.



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- b. Public Education
  - i. Legal Check Up

Kyla Jones will keep the Board's Legal Checkup Plan current and up-to-date on the website. Thea Jennings is working to distribute the plan to Minority and County Bar Associations. Ms. Jennings is consulting with the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion team and General Counsel. Chair Cherry is working to update the Statement of Work.

Chair Cherry and WSBA staff have drafted an "FAQ" page for frequently asked questions regarding the unauthorized practice of law. This draft will be distributed to the public members of the Board.

ii. Legal Regulatory Laboratory

Chair Cherry reported that the next steps in the Laboratory project are to draft court orders, apply for grants and other forms of funding, and to determine where the "Board" who runs the laboratory should report to. Mir Tariq suggested that a retired judge could help draft court orders. Mr. Tariq also gave insightful feedback about Utah's sandbox process.

- c. Other Business
  - i. Annual Report

Thea Jennings submitted the Board's annual report to the Board of Governors this month. Kyla Jones will post a copy for the Board to view on Box. The Board still needs to prepare an annual report for the Supreme Court, per GR 25(f). In the future, the Board will prepare one report.

ii. <u>TAXICAB</u>

Chair Cherry reported on the "TAXICAB" (Team Administering Zenial Involvement with Court Appointed Boards). This group is working to define WSBA administration and clarify which WSBA policies apply to Court-created Boards.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board entered into Executive Session.

The Board exited Executive Session.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.