



Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2026
Remote Meeting
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Practice of Law Board Members in Attendance:

- ☒ Lesli Ashley, Chair
- ☒ John Dirgo Deweese
- ☐ Rory Hardy
- ☒ Cindy Kim
- ☐ Melissa Kover
- ☐ Ellen Reed

- ☒ Ronald Satterthwaite
- ☒ Craig Shank
- ☒ Leah Snyder
- ☐ Murugeshwari Subramanian
- ☒ Michael Terasaki
- ☒ Aaron Vanderpol
- ☐ Shainna Xi

Liaisons in Attendance:

- ☒ Bobby Henry, WSBA Staff Liaison
- ☒ Kevin Fay, BOG Liaison

Other WSBA Staff in Attendance:

- ☒ Renata de Carvalho Garcia, Chief Regulatory Counsel
- ☒ Anne Trent, RSD Paralegal
- ☐ Cathy Biestek, Managing Regulatory Counsel
- ☐ Terra Nevitt, Executive Director

PUBLIC SESSION

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:11 p.m. by Chair Lesli Ashley.

Meeting Minutes for Approval

The February 18, 2026 meeting minutes were approved.

Entity Regulation Application Committee

Bobby informed the Board that the committee met with the compliance officer for Legata, Inc. and gathered additional information about the application. The committee recommended that the Board approve the application according to the terms set forth in the Proposed Order. The Board heard public comment, discussed the application and approved the Proposed Order with direction to send the application, recommendation, and proposed order to the Washington Supreme Court.

Form a GR 25 Board Duties Subcommittee

The Supreme Court asked the Board to examine its potential role in possibly overseeing the use of legal technology in the legal profession as was recommended by the WSBA's Legal Technology Task Force. The GR25 committee met and discussed what that role could look like. In addition, because the committee is reviewing the possibility of adding this duty to GR 25, the committee reviewed all board duties in GR 25 including whether the board should continue to receive complaints alleging the unauthorized practice of law and whether all new proposals for the delivery of legal services need to be financially self-supporting. The subcommittee will gather additional information and resources to aid in this endeavor.

Unauthorized Practice of Law Complaints Summary

WSBA Paralegal Anne Trent provided a summary of UPL complaints received and referred.

POLB Press, Update, & Information Sheet

Board members reviewed recent articles and upcoming events.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

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