

**SENIOR LAWYERS SECTION  
MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**December 15, 2020**

This meeting was our tenth consecutive meeting conducted entirely by phone, again due to the coronavirus crisis. As in the last few meetings, we met through Zoom. The following Executive Committee members were present at this meeting: Chair Eleanor Doermann, Jeanine Lutzenhiser, Brian Comstock, Steve DeForest, Al Armstrong, Joe Gordon, Morrie Shore, Carole Grayson and E l e e n T r a n g o f t h e W S B A . N o t a b l e t o b e present were Scott Osborne, Ron Thompson, Jim Riehl and BOG Liaison Tom McBride.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Eleanor welcomed the attendees, wishing all a happy holiday season.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Al's Minutes of our November 17 meeting were approved by Motion.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Although Ron was unable to attend, he sent word that he has received no financial reports from the WSBA. Eleen explained that WSBA's annual audit, done this time each year, may be the reason for the delay. Since the audit has now been completed, she expects the financials for September and October to be ready later in the week.

**NEXT NEWSLETTER**

Jim, Morrie and Eleanor announced that they have completed work on our next newsletter, and have sent the materials to Britt Sutherland, WSBA's contract desktop editor, who will do the layout and colorizing. Eleanor had included the Table of Contents for this newsletter along with this meeting's Agenda. The topics to be covered include, among other articles, items from our recommended reading list, material from the ABA regarding Covid scams, an article on the SECURE act (recent changes to IRA law), and, from the History Corner: "1956 was a Great Year," by Phil DeTurk, a reprint from our Winter 2005-2006 *Life Begins*.

Suggested future articles are expected to include material on creative retirement and additional recommended reading suggestions. Any new book suggestions should be sent to Morrie.

**NEXT MINI-CLE**

Our next mini-CLE will take place on January 22, 2021 at 12:00 pm, ending at 1:30 pm. The title will be: "Got Food? How Law and Technology will impact your plate." The presenter will be

Sarah Wixon from Morrie's Yakima firm, Stokes Lawrence, P.S. Carole wanted to make sure that this event is more prominently featured on our WSBA website and that the correct date and time were given. Later in the meeting, Devorah Signer Hill joined us, and informed us that the WSBA's CLE store has been reopened. Ms. Signer Hill also said she would check on the WSBA's marketing effort relative to our mini CLE.

### **THANKS TO BRIAN FOR PREPARING OUR ANNUAL REPORT**

The Committee expressed its appreciation to Brian for preparing and circulating our Section's Annual Report to the WSBA.

### **OUR SCHEDULED MAY 2021 CLE**

There was general agreement that our currently scheduled May 2021 in-person CLE will most likely not take place (at least in its in-person form), due to the continuing pandemic. It was remarked that if we were to contemplate a remote-viewing CLE, apart from a mini-CLE, it would be best if we had two or three speakers, as opposed to just one presenter.

Jeanine noted that there have indeed been all-day remote seminars given. Ms. Signer Hill mentioned that a successful remote-viewing Family Law CLE was held, and, since March 6 of this year, remote-viewing CLEs are all the WSBA has done. It was remarked that the direct expense of a remote-view program would be far less than an in-person function.

It was mentioned that a remote-viewing CLE is more effective if the attendees are provided with a way to contact a given speaker with questions and/or comments.

Brian commented that our publicity efforts would be amplified if we had the ability to contact age-appropriate Bar-members about our Section and CLEs, to supplement the publicity efforts of the The WSBA. Eleanor noted that we can communicate with these potential members via such Bar-related media such as Listserv and other bar-mediated publicity efforts.

With respect to what to do about our reserved date with Marriott, Carole wondered whether we should be realistic about the slim chance we would actually use Marriott's facilities, and inform Marriott that we do not need the reservation any longer. Brian thought it would be prudent to keep the date open. By Motion, it was decided to take up this question at our January meeting. Carole thought it would be best if WSBA's Shanti Raghu attended our January meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Eleanor adjourned the meeting.

Our next meeting will take place on a remote-attendance basis on January 19, 2021 at 10:30 am.