SOLO & SMALL PRACTICE SECTION

WSBA Solo and Small Firm Executive Committee Meeting
October 20, 2026, 8:00 a.m.
Minutes
Zoom Meeting

Present

☒ Chair: Nicholas Pleasants	☒ Darcel Lobo, At Large	☐ Molly Ashe
☒ Treasurer Bruce Gardiner	☒ Dane O'Driscoll, At Large	☒ Tyler O'Brien
☒ Nora Hendricks, NML	☒ Kari Petrasek, At-large	☐ Carolyn MacGregor, WSBA
☒ Zach Burr, Secretary	☒ Margeaux Green, WSBA	☒ Shea Meehan, At-large

There was a quorum of members necessary for voting purposes.

I. Call to Order: Chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

II. September minutes were unanimously approved.

III. Reports
- A. Treasurer: Bruce Gardiner
  - i. Lower revenue this year due to fewer min-CLEs
  - ii. The Section maintains a strong financial position and spending remains conservative relative to available funds.
  - iii. An updated financial report is expected in January.
- B. Electonic Communications Committee: Tyler O'Brien
  - i. ECC will determine which CLE materials to upload to the Section's site for open viewing.
- C. Education Subcommittee: Bruce Gardner taking over role of Chair of Education Committee from Michelle Moore for a limited period of time.

i. The Subcommittee will seek additional members and work to develop topics for CLEs.

ii. The Halloween program will not take place this year, but is expected to be put on next year.

D. Membership Subcommittee: Tyler O'Brien

i. Planning is ongoing for a Spokane Chiefs game.

ii. Expenses related to Seattle sporting events consumed a substantial amount of the budget for this Committee during this past year.

iii. Membership in the Section has grown to 1,097 members as of September 1.

iv. Shea Meehan joined the Membership Subcommittee.

IV. Solo & Small Conference Recap: Darcel Lobo

A. The conference exceeded capacity and the Section will evaluate potential alternative venues for future conferences.

B. Attendee feedback was strongly positive, with notable participation from new and returning attendees.

C. Conference materials to be uploaded to website but will not include presentation videos.

V. Elections- Officer slate renewed without changes

A. Nick Pleasants re-elected as President

B. Zach Burr re-elected as Secretary

C. Bruce Gardner re-elected as Treasurer

VI. BOG Report: Kari Petrasek

A. Kari Petrasek was recently appointed as WSBA BOG President.

B. BOG meeting minutes are available on the Board's website.

VII. Meeting Adjourned at 8:33 a.m.

VIII. Next Meeting will be Tuesday, November 17.

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