District of Columbia Bar
Board of Governors Meeting
November 10, 2020

Call to Order
(Agenda Item 1)

President Geoffrey M. Klineberg called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone via Zoom teleconference.

Other members of the Board of Governors who attended the meeting were President-Elect Chad T. Sarchio, Secretary Diane A. Seltzer Torre, Treasurer Shaun M. Snyder, Jessica E. Adler, Catherine D. Bertram, A.J. Dhaliwal, Elizabeth (Sally) Gere, Susan M. Hoffman, Theodore A. Howard, Janene D. Jackson, Su Sie Ju, Natalie M. Koss, June B. Kress, Megan Lacchini, Paul S. Lee, Amy E. Nelson, Peggy Lansbach O'More, Ramya Ravindran, Bridget M. Rowan and Courtney L. Weiner.

Board members Lisa A. Lipsky and Saleema Snow did not attend the meeting.

Outside Counsel Todd S. Kim of ReedSmith LLP and D.C. Bar Communities Committee Chair Alexander L. Reid also attended the meeting.

D.C. Bar staff who attended the meeting were Chief Executive Officer Robert J. Spagnoletti, D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center Executive Director Rebecca K. Troth, Matthew S. Butler, David Chu, Dennis Cuevas, Carla J. Freudenberg, LaTanya Hunter, Margarita Lorenzetti, Caterina Luppi, Lisa Martin-Morina, Daniel Mills, Erum Mirza, Maurice Morrow, Karen Savransky, Connie Sinclair, Candace Smith-Tucker, Darrin P. Sobin, Matthew Stephen, Suzanne Takeuchi, Rochelle Washington, Crystal White, and Adriana Zick.

President's Report
(Agenda Item 2)

President Klineberg discussed the October meeting of the D.C. Bar's Global Legal Practice Committee.

Board member Gere reported that the D.C. Bar 2020 Conference, "One Hundred Years of the 19th Amendment: Now We Can Begin," held virtually on October 20 and 21, 2020, attracted 900 registrants.

Consent Agenda
(Agenda Item 3)

President Klineberg presented the Consent Agenda to the Board, which included the minutes of the September 15, 2020, meeting, recommendations by the Screening Committee for action on appointments, and for appointments to the Pro Bono Committee of the D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center.

The Board approved the minutes of the October 13, 2020, Board meeting.

The Board approved the recommendations of the Screening Committee, as follows:

- Neighborhood Legal Services Program
  - Wilson D. Mudge
  - Shankar Duraiswamy
  - Tyra Williams Matthews
  - Lucius T. Outlaw III *(alternate)*
  - Sana F. Shtasel *(alternate)*

- Attorney/Client Arbitration Board
  - Lawyer Vacancies
    - Linda D. Fienberg
    - Joseph A. Gomes

    - Non-Lawyer Vacancies
        - Nima Patel Edwards
        - Tina Patterson
        - Sonia Shukla
    - Chair: Lisa Fishberg
    - Vice-Chair: DeAndra Roaché

- Clients' Security Fund *(recommendation to D.C. Court of Appeals)*
    - Lawyer Vacancy
        - Carolyn P. Vinson *(nunc pro tunc to October 1, 2020)*
    - Chair: Kim Brooks-Rodney *(nunc pro tunc to October 1, 2020)*
    - Vice-Chair: Elizabeth Quinn *(nunc pro tunc to October 1, 2020)*

- Legal Ethics Committee
    - Lawyer Vacancies
        - Beverly R. Allen
        - George R. Clark
        - Alexea R. Juliano

- Rules of Professional Conduct Review Committee
    - Lawyer Vacancy
        - James B. Slaughter

Action on appointments to the Committee on Nominations was removed from the Consent Agenda. Appointments to the Committee on Nominations will be considered at the Board's December meeting.

See Tab 3.

Treasurer's Report
(Agenda Item 4)

Treasurer Snyder presented his report.

See Tab 4.

CEO's Report
(Agenda Item 5)

CEO Spagnoletti confirmed that the D.C. Bar continues to operate on a fully remote basis. Employees will not return to work in-person until at least the end of March 2021, due to the uptick in COVID-19 cases.

See Tab 5.

Annual Report of the Communities Committee
(Agenda Item 6)

Communities Committee Chair Reid gave the FY 2019-20 Annual Report of the Communities Committee.

See Tab 6.

Annual Report of the Practice Management Advisory Service
(Agenda Item 7)

Practice Management Advisory Service Assistant Director Daniel Mills and Practice Management Advisor Rochelle Washington gave the Annual Report of the Practice Management Advisory Service for FY 2019-20.

See Tab 7.

Proposal to Revise the Communities Policies and Procedures on Public Statements
(Agenda Item 8)

Communities Guidelines Working Group Chair and Board member Jackson reported on the recommendations made by the Working Group in its unanimous proposal to revise the process by which Communities may issue public statements.

Outside Counsel Kim reported on litigation where members of other mandatory bars have brought First Amendment challenges to their state bars' public statements. Mr. Kim served as outside counsel to the Working Group as it developed its proposals to revise the Communities guidelines and procedures concerning public statements. Mr. Kim described to the Board the various First Amendment challenges to public statements issued by other mandatory bars.

See Tab 8.

Executive Session
(Agenda Item 9)

The Board met in Executive Session.

Adjournment
(Agenda Item 10)

There being no further business, President Klineberg adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane A. Seltzer Torre
Secretary