

MILITARY AND VETERANS LAW SECTION

NOVEMBER 2020 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

The November 2020 annual meeting of the Military and Veterans Law Section was held at 12:00 P.M. on November 17, 2020 by Zoom Video Conference with virtual attendance by the Oregon State Bar Center in Tigard, Oregon. In attendance at the meeting was:

In Person	By Zoom	Unable to Attend	Position	Name
	X		Chairperson	Mr. Trevor R. Caldwell
	X		Chair-Elect	Mr. Michael Hajarizadeh
	X		Past Chair	Mr. Ross Neher
	X		Secretary	Ms. Leah Eccles Watson
	X		Treasurer	Mr. Mark John Holady
		X	Member	Mr. Wesley A. Hill
		X	Member	Mr. James Andrew Gardner
		X	Member	Ms. Jaimie A. Fender
		X	Member	Ms. Jennifer B. Sackett
	X		Member	Ms. Heather St Clair
	X		Member	Mr. James Gordon Rice
	X		Member	Ms. Leslie A. Nelson
	X		Member	Ms. Tracy Connor
	X		Member	Mr. Josh D. Yanov
	X		Advisory Member	Mr. Jesse Wm Barton
		X	Advisory Member	Mr. Luke D. Miller
	X		Law School Liaison	Mr. Hi'ilei M. Haru
	X		Law School Liaison	Ms. Jessica Watkins
		X	Law School Liaison	Mr. Jacob Gates
	X		Bar Liaison	Mr. Troy J. Wood
		X	Bar Liaison	Ms. Natalie Batiste
		X	BOG Representative - Public	Anne Graham
	X		Section Member	Michael Curtis
	X		Section Member	Rowan Hardenbrook
	X		Section Member	Dan Schmidt
	X		Section Member	Ana Potter

Opening Remarks: Briefed by Chair, Trevor Caldwell

- Opening welcome
- Note that Nomination Committee met and a proposed list was sent out to Section

Roll of Attendees: Brief by Secretary, Leah Watson

- 17 in attendance at start of meeting to include OSB Liaison and two School Reps

Annual Report: Briefed by Chair, Trevor Caldwell

- Highlight of events over past year

### Standing Committee Reports:

- Membership Reports: Brief by Treasurer, Mark Holady
  - 106 members currently
- CLE& Events: Briefed by Leslie A. Nelson
  - October CLE on Vet Benefits was successful
  - Justice Involved Vets CLE in November planned with sufficient time for Q&A (high amount anticipated from prior CLEs on this topic)
- Website: Briefed by Treasurer, Mark Holady
  - Kept current with Meeting Minutes and CLE event information
  - Seeking a person to help with website; please reach out to Ross and/or Trevor
- Legislative /Update: Briefed by Chair, Trevor Caldwell
  - No new updates from last month; still waiting to see if there will be another (third) special session prior to the regular legislative session
  - If there is it will likely be a narrowly focused session and our proposals will not likely be presented; likely mid-late summer for when it will be presented
- Law School Representatives:
  - Lewis & Clark Law - Hi'ilei M. Haru (Law Student Rep)
    - Had a virtual meeting this term for newly reformed Student Org
    - Had presentation from NCVLI about victim legal support when victim is a military member, Veteran, or family member
    - Will be continuing hybrid virtual classes into the spring
  - Willamette Law - Jessica Watkins (Law Student Rep)
    - All upper classes (2-3L) will be remote with 1L classes being in a hybrid model
    - Need to discuss transition to a new Student rep
    - Looking to do an event in the spring; most student groups have had low turnouts at events when remote (no food to lure attendees)

### New Business: Briefed by In-Coming Chair, Michael Hajarizadeh

- Try to have in person meetings next year at different locations
  - Meeting at each law school with food offered to entice more students to attend
  - Meetings in locations in central and southern Oregon to recruit more members from the rest of the state

### Annual Meeting and Monthly Meeting (January 19th):

- Next meeting will be by Zoom

### Closing Remarks: Briefed by Chair, Trevor Caldwell

- Thanks to all for a terrific year
- Looking forward to a great 2021 with in person meetings

### Wrap-Up/Adjourn

- Jim moved to adjourn; Michael seconded; unanimously approved; meeting adjourned.