

MILITARY AND VETERANS LAW SECTION

January 2022 MEETING MINUTES

The January 2022 meeting of the Military and Veterans Law Section was held at 12:00 P.M. on January 25, 2022 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	Ms. Leah Eccles Watson
	x		Past Chair	Mr. Michael Hajarizadeh
	x		Chair-Elect	Ryan Adams
	x		Secretary	Ms. Leslie A. Nelson
	x		Treasurer	Mr. Ross Neher
	x		Member-At-Large and CLE Committee Chair	Ms. Tracy E. Connor
	x		Member-At-Large and Legislative Committee Chair	Mr. Trevor R. Caldwell
			Member-At-Large	Ms. Rowan C. Hardenbrook
			Member-At-Large	
			Member-At-Large	Mr. Daniel O. Schmidt
			Member-At-Large	Mr. Joel W. Stevens
			Advisory Member	Mr. Jesse Wm Barton
			Advisory Member	Mr. Mark John Holady
			Advisory Member	Mr. James 'Jim' Gordon Rice
			Advisory Member	Mr. Wesley A. Hill
			Law School Liaison	
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			Bar Liaison	Ms. Natalie Batiste
	x		Bar Liaison	Mr. Troy J. Wood
			BOG Representative	

Opening Remarks: Briefed by Chairperson, Leah Watson

- Welcome

Roll of Attendees: Brief by Secretary, Leslie Nelson

- Yes quorum to conduct votes
- 8 people in attendance by mid-meeting to include 7 members, and OSB Liaison

Standing Committee Reports:

Membership Report: Brief by Treasure, Ross Neher. \$1,650.00 in the treasury.

- 107 total members currently

CLE & Events: Briefed by Tracy Connor, CLE Committee

- Family law CLE is in the works, but may need to be expanded so that it is not just a one hour CLE. Leah volunteers to work on a CLE for family law with the topic of how military impacts family law. I.E. Issues like Guard vs. Active duty, so this would be a one hour CLE.
- Tracy presented the idea of an access to justice for service members instead of family law.
- Trevor and Ryan are working on an update on changes to veteran's preference law. This would likely be a one hour lunchtime CLE and could be as early as early March.

Website: Brief by Trevor

- Trevor volunteered to work on website and would like to get someone else to help.

Legislative /Update: Brief by

- No update on this, but we expect Trevor will be working on some ideas with this later in the year.

Law School Representatives:

- None present to brief for the schools
 - Univ of Oregon Law
 - Willamette Law
 - Lewis & Clark Law

New Business/Announcements: None

Closing Remarks: Briefed by Leah

- Thank you all for attending
- Next meeting is February 15th at noon, via Zoom

Wrap-Up/Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned.at 12:34 pm.