

MILITARY AND VETERANS LAW SECTION

MAY 2022 MEETING MINUTES

The May 2022 meeting of the Military and Veterans Law Section was held at 12:00 P.M. on May 17, 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 |
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| | * | | Chairperson | Ms. Leah Eccles Watson |
| | | | Past Chair | Mr. Michael Hajarizadeh |
| | | | Chair-Elect | Ryan Adams |
| | * | | Secretary | Ms. Leslie A. Nelson |
| | * | | Treasurer | Mr. Ross Neher |
| | | | Member-At-Large and CLE Committee Chair | Ms. Tracy E. Connor |
| | * | | 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 |
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| | | | 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 |
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| | | | Bar Liaison | Ms. Natalie Batiste |
| | * | | Bar Liaison | Mr. Troy J. Wood |
| | | | BOG Representative | |

Opening Remarks: Briefed by Chairperson, Leah Watson

- Welcome

Roll of Attendees: Brief by Secretary, Leslie Nelson

- 8 people in attendance by mid-meeting to include 7 members, 6 voting members, and 1 OSB Liaison.
- Minutes for April of 2022 were approved unanimously.

Standing Committee Reports:

Membership Report: Brief by Treasure, Ross Neher. \$2,728.00 in the treasury.

- 97 total members currently, 17 complimentary.

CLE & Events: Briefed by Leslie

No new dates set yet.

Troy – discussed rules for having in person events under Covid. OSB office is still closed to the public. He suggests it's not a good idea to have an in-person meeting at the Bar at this time.

Trevor might be able to find meeting space at his office for an in-person CLE or event if we want to do something in person.

Website: Mark needs January, February and March minutes to add to website. Leslie will forward those to Mark.

Legislative /Update: Amy from the OSB sent a proposal on a piece of legislation that effects veterans from the elder law section about notaries and witnesses. Trevor has reviewed it.

Proposal is to make it easier to get certain documents notarized.

Leslie brought up new proposed legislation for TBI resources that would be an issue that could impact a lot of veterans. Leslie will get more information on this for the group.

Mark suggests having people come up with legislative ideas at the annual meeting in November.

Law School Representatives:

Mark Holady suggests having a social and inviting the law students at the beginning of the school year in the fall. Leah suggests maybe doing a social right after the Bar exam. The Bar exam is July 26th and 27th.

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

New Business/Announcements:

- Reminder about Edwin Peterson Award. Nominations due by June 1, 2022. This is a professionalism award. Individuals or sections can make nominations.

Closing Remarks: Briefed by Leah

- Thank you all for attending
- Next meeting is June 21st at noon, via Zoom

Wrap-Up/Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 12:36 pm