

Civil Jury Instructions Committee
State Bar of Arizona
4201 N. 24th Street, Suite 100
Phoenix, Arizona 85016
March 5, 2025
3:00 pm
Virtual Meeting
Minutes

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

P = present virtually; A= absent.

Justin Ackerman	A	Judge Melissa Julian	P
Judge Bradley Astrowsky	P	Jack Klecan	P
Arcangelo Cella	P	Steven Kramer	P
Venessa Bragg	P	Richard Langerman	P
Ben Cooper	P	Greg Larson	P
Alicia Funkhouser	A	PJ Lopez - Chair	P
Dominic Gomez	P	Jesse Ritchey	A
Mickell Summerhays	A	Joel Robbins	P
Robert Greer	P	James Smith	A
Douglas Imperi	P	Daniel Torrens	A
Jesse Egbert	A	Jayme Weber	P
Michael Yancey	P		

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:07 by chair, P.J. Lopez.

The minutes of the February 5, 2025 meeting were approved.

APSA Subcommittee: Subcommittee member, Greg Larson, reported on the work of the subcommittee. Greg reported that the subcommittee was making progress on a revised draft of proposed instructions.

Wrongful Death Damages Subcommittee: A discussion was held regarding the proposed revisions to the wrongful death damages instruction (Personal Injury Damages No.3). Several editorial changes were made to the proposed instruction. The Committee then voted 14-0 to approve the proposed instruction.

Guardianship Instructions: Ilona reported that no comments were received from members of the bar to the proposed Guardianship Instructions. Accordingly, the instructions would be forwarded to the Rules Committee for approval.

Committee Members Reapplications: Ilona reminded members of the deadline to request renewal of membership on the Committee.

Premises Liability Subcommittee: Subcommittee chair, Steve Kramer, reported that subcommittee was still waiting for the Arizona Supreme Court's decision in the *Perez* case. [Note: the court issued its opinion in *Perez* on March 12, 2025.]

Other Business: Venessa Bragg suggested that a subcommittee be appointed to review the seatbelt instruction and the related verdict form. Chair Lopez appointed a subcommittee to look into issues related to Comparative Fault and Enhanced Injuries. Venessa was appointed to chair the subcommittee. Richard Langerman, Steve Kramer, Robert Greer, Arcangelo Cella, and Joel Robbins were also appointed to serve on the subcommittee.

Judge Julian suggested that the Committee look into instructions regarding breach of warranty in the sale of goods and breach of the duty of good faith in situations not involving insurance companies.

Joel Robbins noted that the introductory section to the medical malpractice instructions references the wrong statute. Joel indicated that the correct citation was ARS 12-572.

Call to the Public: P.J. made a call to the public. There was no response.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:52 p.m.