

#### **BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION**

State Bar of Arizona 4201 N. 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100 Phoenix, Arizona 85016

October 16, 2019 4:00 p.m. Cholla Room, First Floor

# Minutes (Approved November 13, 2019)

#### **MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

P = Present; T = Present Telephonically; A = Absent

Bradley Jardine – P M. Maureen Anders – P James Anderson –T Troy Bales – T James Cross – T Robert Denison – T Monica Donaldson Stewart – T Michael Goldberg – T
Abe Lai – A
Bridget O'Brien Swartz – T
Elizabeth Ortiz – T
David Shein – T

Wendi Sorenson – P

#### **OTHER ATTENDEES:**

State Bar Staff: Sarah Corpening, Membership Administration & Services Manager

Deanna Commack, BLS Administrator

Minutes taken by Deanna Commack

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Bradley Jardine, Chair Time: 4:05 p.m.

#### 2. Call to the Public

No members of the public were present.

## 3. Review and Approval of minutes:

The minutes of the September 11, 2019 – General Session meeting were reviewed.

Motion for approval by: Wendi Sorenson

Seconded by: Robert Denison

Motion: Passed

## 4. Executive Session. N/A

### 5. Advisory Commissions update on Peer Review Confidentiality Bradley Jardine

Chair, Bradley Jardine praised both M. Maureen Anders and James Cross for their time, effort,

and overall work put in to accomplishing a draft of the letter to the Supreme Court regarding

the current Peer Review confidentiality rules. The consensus of Board Members was positive,

and members thought the product was excellent and ready to go forward with a few edits in

language and grammar. Sarah Corpening asked if Board Members also wanted to include

suggested revisions to the Board of Legal Specialization Rules and Regulations when

forwarding the Peer Review Confidentiality to the Supreme Court. Additionally, Sarah

informed Board Members that both the General Counsel and State Bar of Arizona CEO

should be provided a copy of the draft to review prior to forwarding. The Chair opened the

floor for a motion to forward the final draft once all changes have been made.

Motion to send Supreme Court Peer Review Confidentiality letter: Wendi Sorenson

Seconded by: James Cross

Motion: Passed

**6.** Request for New Areas of Specialization Michael Goldberg/Wendi Sorenson

(Section X – BLS Rules & Regulations)

Michael Goldberg and Wendi Sorenson provided Board Members with an update on their review of

the proposed Administrative Law area of specialization. They reported pending questions are

necessary and both planned on meeting independently with Administrative Law Session members

Jessica Thomas and Camila Alarcon to discuss.

7. Date of next meeting – November 13, 2019

8. Motion to adjourn:

By: Bradley Jardine

Second: M. Maureen Anders

Meeting adjourned: 4:19 p.m.