District of Columbia Bar Board of Governors Meeting September 19, 2023

Call to Order (Agenda Item 1)

President Charles R. Lowery, Jr. called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone with some members attending in person and others via Zoom teleconference.

The following members of the Board of Governors were in attendance: President-Elect Shaun M. Snyder, Treasurer Alicia M. Long (remote), Treasurer-Elect Mark A. Salzberg, Immediate Past President Ellen M. Jakovic, Lukman S. Azeez, Karen A. Newton Cole, Patrick C. English, Elizabeth "Sally" Gere, Janene D. Jackson (remote), Natalie M. Koss, June B. Kress, Fatema Merchant, Steven R. Miller (remote), Peggy Lansbach O'More (remote), Diane A. Seltzer, and Courtney L. Weiner (remote).

Board members Rebecca F. Cady, Brian K. Flowers, Lisa A. Lipsky, Andrea Mangones, Roger Lu Phillips, and Ramya Ravindran were not in attendance.

D.C. Bar Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") Robert J. Spagnoletti (remote) and D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center Executive Director Kelli Neptune attended the meeting, along with the following D.C. Bar staff: David Chu (remote), Dennis Cuevas, Akil Ellis, Carla Freudenburg, LaTanya Hunter, Meredith Jannsen (remote), Margarita Lorenzetti, Caterina Luppi (remote), Erum Mirza, Maurice Morrow, Monica Page, Pamela Robinson, Darrin Sobin, Crystal White, and Adriana Zick.

Former ABA State Delegate Robert N. Weiner also attended the meeting.

President's Report (Agenda Item 2)

President Lowery presented his report which included an update on the annual meeting of the National Association of Bar Executives and the National Conference of Bar Presidents (NCBP) in August 2023 as well as future events such as the President's Dinner on October 28th; the March 12, 2024 visit by ABA President Mary Smith; and the Lawyers Have Heart event on May 18, 2024.

Report on the 2023 ABA Annual Meeting (Agenda Item 6)

Former ABA State Delegate Robert N. Weiner delivered a summary of the August 2023 ABA Annual Meeting including the medal awarded to Fred Gray (Chief Counsel of the Civil Rights Movement) and the adoption of 47 resolutions by the ABA House of Delegates. The new ABA State Delegate is Paul Smith.

Consent Agenda (Agenda Item 3)

President Lowery presented the Consent Agenda to the Board, which included draft minutes of the July 27th meeting, committee appointments, appointment of Roger Lu Phillips as the new Secretary of the D.C. Bar Board of Governors, and appointments to the D.C. Bar Foundation Board of Directors.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda.

See Tab 3.

Treasurer's Report (Agenda Item 4)

Treasurer Long presented her report.

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CEO's Report (Agenda Item 5)

On behalf of CEO Robert Spagnoletti, Chief Programs Officer Darrin Sobin presented the CEO's report which included an update on FY24 license renewals, recognition of several D.C. Bar staff member awards at the NCBP meeting, increased enrollment in Communities and the CLE Passport program, and increased in-person programming.

See Tab 5.

Annual Report of the Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Committee (Agenda Item 7)

CLE Committee Chair Diane Seltzer reported on the CLE program's activities for the past two fiscal years including the number of CLE classes offered, participation levels, topics covered, partnerships with co-sponsors, program ratings, and the positive impact of the new CLE Passport Program on the overall CLE program.

See Tab 7.

Proposed Investment Committee Charter (Agenda Item 8)

Chief Financial Officer Margarita Lorenzetti presented the proposed revised Investment Committee Charter.

The Board approved the proposed revised Investment Committee Charter.

See Tab 8.

Adjournment (Agenda Item 9)

There being no further business, President Lowery adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles R. Lowery, Jr.
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