

FAMILY LAW SECTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, October 12, 2005

PRESENT: Judge Hilder, Louise Knauer, Rick Hummel, Russ Minas, Stuart Ralphs, Marcie Keck, Harry Caston, Steve Gunn, Angela Fannesbeck, Rob Parrish, Judge Jones (by phone) Adam Caldwell (by phone), Christina Miller (by phone)

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Approval of Minutes	The minutes from the September 14 meeting were read and approved without amendment.	
Committee Reports	Monthly luncheons are going as planned. Ideas were sought for upcoming luncheons. Spring convention planning is underway. There is a question as to how much time will be allotted to family law issues. Not much to report yet on the annual seminar, which is not until May 2006. There was discussion as to whether a paid speaker should be brought in. The annual Christmas party is being planned. CW&B may host this year. The next newsletter is almost ready for publication and web site development is ongoing.	
Legislation & Rules Committee	The Committee is up and running. A concern was raised as to the authority of members of the Committee to speak on behalf of the Section or even the EC. A name and purposes statement for the committee has been generated (Below). Stuart reported on behalf of the committee the current legislative action affecting the practice of family law.	The EC authorized the Legislation & Rules Committee to relay the EC (not the Section) position on legislative issues by vote at meetings or via e-mail responses. If there is a minority view, then the concerns of the minority shall also be stated.
CLE Topics	The next CLE luncheon will be on November 10 and the topic will be UIFSA	
EC Membership	Rob Parrish was introduced as the new member of the EC. He will serve as the Guardian Ad Litem representative. Rob was made a member of the Legislation & Rules Committee.	
New Business	The Committee discussed and voted to publish on the Section web site the minutes of the meetings of the EC. Brenda Teig of the Pro Bono Project is invited to set up materials and be present at Section events.	
Adjournment - Next Meeting	The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:30 p.m. The next meeting is set for November 9, 2005 at noon at the Law & Justice Center.	

Name: Legislation and Rules Committee

Purposes: In compliance with Section policy and Utah State Bar policy, advise the Legislature and Utah Supreme Court concerning proposed legislation and rules relating to family law issues.

In compliance with Section policy and Utah State Bar policy, to draft proposed legislation and rules relating to family law issues for presentation to the Legislature or the Supreme Court for consideration.

To monitor the agendas of Legislative Committees and Interim Committees, monitor the progress of filed bills, identify matters of interest to the Executive Committee, and make recommendations regarding positions relating to proposed family law legislation and rules.