

Judicial Section Business Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2018

Meeting called to order by Judge Jennifer Rymell at 2:45 p.m.

A quorum was present. After a motion and second, and the minutes from the 2017 Judicial Section Annual Business Meeting were approved

Chair's Report – Hon. Jennifer Rymell, Chair

Judge Rymell welcomed everyone to the meeting. She discussed the Section's initiatives for the year which included increasing communication with the membership, creating an ethics library, launching a new website and preparing for the upcoming legislative session

Secretary/Treasurer Report – Hon. David Garcia, Treasurer

Judge Garcia reported on the finances of the Section, and the financial information was presented for approval. Financials were approved unanimously.

The Office of Court Administration Report – David Slayton, Admin. Director

David Slayton reported on the work of the Office of Court Administration and preparations for the upcoming legislative session

The State Commission on Judicial Conduct Report – Hon. Jennifer Rymell, Chair

Judge Rymell presented the report on behalf of Eric Vinson, the Commission's Executive Director. She reported on the number of complaints, dismissals and sanctions issued by the Commission over the last year.

Legislative Committee Report – Hon. Alfonso Charles, Chair

Judge Charles reported on the Committee's preparation for the upcoming legislative session, focusing on the judicial pay raise issue.

He also reported on the following legislative issues:

- Pre-trial release and bail reform
- Mental health
- Gun laws
- CPS changes
- Business courts

Nominating Committee Report and Election of Officers and Board of Directors – Hon. Jennifer Rymell, Chair

Judge Rymell presented the following Nominating Committee slate to the membership:

Chair-elect – Hon. Brett J. Busby
Place 1 – Justice Greg Neeley
Place 5 – Hon. William Miller
Place 8 – Hon. Vincent Messina
Place 10 – Hon. Jose Manuel Banales
Place 13 – Hon. Andrew Hathcock

There were no nominations from the floor following a motion and a second, and the slate was elected by acclamation.

Introduction of New Judges – Hon. Jennifer Rymell, Chair

Judge Rymell introduced and welcomed all new judges. She asked them to stand and be recognized.

Acknowledgment of Outgoing Board and Incoming Chair – Hon. Jennifer Rymell, Chair

The Chair presented plaques to each of the outgoing Board members and thanked them for their service and dedication.

- Hon. Peter Sakai
- Hon. Bradley Cates
- Hon. Larry Gist
- Hon. Shelly R. Dukes

Judge Rymell expressed her gratitude for being allowed to serve as Section Chair and recognized the outstanding contributions of the manager of the Sections Department of the State Bar, Tracy Nukols, and members of the Board. Judge Rymell then introduced the incoming Chair, Judge Randy Clapp.

Incoming Chair Remarks – Hon. Randy Clapp, Chair

Judge Clapp made brief remarks thanking Judge Rymell for her service to the judiciary, and reported that the Section's focus for the upcoming year will be on a judicial pay raise.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.