## **MINUTES**

## Public Session via Conference Call Washington State Bar Association BOARD OF GOVERNORS SPECIAL MEETING

Seattle, WA June 7, 2017

The Special Meeting Public Session of the Board of Governors of the Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) was called to order by President Robin Haynes on Wednesday, June 7, 2017, at 3:35 p.m., at the WSBA offices, Seattle, Washington. Governors in attendance by phone were:

Keith M. Black
Dan W. Bridges
Mario M. Cava
Ann Danieli
James K. Doane
Angela M. Hayes
Andrea S. Jarmon
Jill A. Karmy
Rajeev D. Majumdar
Christina A. Meserve
Athan P. Papailiou
William D. Pickett
G. Kim Risenmay

Also in attendance by phone were President Robin Haynes, President-elect Brad Furlong, Executive Director Paula Littlewood, General Counsel/Chief Regulatory Counsel Jean McElroy, and Chief Operations Officer Ann Holmes. In the room were Chief Disciplinary Counsel Doug Ende, Director of Human Resources Frances Dujon-Reynolds, Director of Advancement/Chief Development Officer Terra Nevitt, and Executive Assistant Margaret Shane.

## **DISCUSSION**

President Haynes advised that this special meeting was called in order for the Board to decide whether to fill Governor Pickett's seat at the end of this term year since he has been selected

by the Board to be the 2017-2018 President-elect and because his seat will be vacant for less

than one year. She explained that the seat left vacant by Governor Davis does not need to be

discussed because the WSBA By-laws require that his seat be filled since it will be vacant for

more than one year. She also advised that a discussion regarding lack of clarity in the WSBA

Bylaw pertaining to holding the office of President-elect and Governor simultaneously will be

held at the July Board meeting.

Governor Doane moved that staff immediately advertise the 4th District seat so the Board can

select an applicant at its July 2017 meeting to fill the seat when it becomes vacant. Governor

Pickett clarified that he would maintain his role as Governor of the 4th District through the end

of the September Board meeting when the new 4th District Governor will take over. He stated

that it was his hope that the new 4th District Governor be present at the July 2017 Retreat at

Alderbrook so that they can start participating in Board activities as soon as possible. Discussion

ensued regarding the nature and wording of the advertisement and the ability of a current

Board to fill a vacancy that will occur during the next Board's year. Motion passed 12-0-1.

Governor Pickett abstained.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

There being no further business before the Board in the Special Meeting Executive Session,

Public Session was adjourned at 3:50 p.m. on Wednesday, June 7, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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