Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2019

Members Present (all by telephone):

Members Excused:

Also Attending (all by telephone):
Nicole Gustine (WSBA Assistant General Counsel), Brian Tollefson (BOG Liaison), Mike Chait (WDTL representative), Eileen Farley (NWAJ representative)

Chair Jefferson Coulter called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

The January 14, 2019 meeting minutes were conditionally approved upon correction of an attendance matter. Olga Blotnis was present although the draft stated that she was dismissed. That error was corrected and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Subcommittee X

Subcommittee chair Tony DiTommaso reported on the subcommittee’s work and proposed amendment to CrR 8.2, and CrRLJ 8.2 allowing motions for reconsideration. There was some discussion among the Committee at large regarding the purpose and need for the addition of such language in the rules. It was moved, seconded, and the motion passed that the Subcommittee should take the issue back for further consideration of the impact of including reference to CrR 59(e) into any rule modification.

Evidence Rule (ER) Subcommittee

Subcommittee chair Kirk Miller was not present. Subcommittee member Ashton Rezayat reported that the Subcommittee is getting started on assignment of the ER rules to be considered. Chair Coulter will follow up with Miller as to the status of the Subcommittee’s work.
Infraction Rules for Court of Limited Jurisdiction (IRLJ) Subcommittee

Subcommittee chair Jon Zimmerman reported that the rules have been divided among the members and that he is seeking DMCJA thoughts on which rule(s) the subcommittee should review.

MAR Subcommittee

Subcommittee Chair Stephanie Dikeakos reported to the Committee that the proposed amendments submitted to and approved by the Committee are now before the BOG to be considered at their March meeting.

Chair Dikeakos reported that the subcommittee is currently evaluating the following: MAR 3.1: issues related to arbitrator certification requirements, and MAR 7.2: issues related to the sealing of the arbitration award amount

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.