# PRACTICE OF LAW BOARD STATE OF WASHINGTON

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### MEETING MINUTES September 21, 2017

The Practice of Law Board (PLB) met on September 21, 2017 at the Offices of the Washington State Bar Association in Seattle, Washington. PLB members attending were: Hon. Paul Bastine, ret., Chair, Prof. George Critchlow, Brooks Goode, Administrative Law Judge Dominiqué Jinhong, Andre Lang, Amber Rush, Gary Swearingen, Jennifer Unger, and Doug Walsh. Michelle Lucas, ATJ Board Liaison; Sean M. Davis, WSBA General Counsel; Kirsten Schimpff, WSBA Assistant General Counsel and Sherry Lindner, OGC Paralegal also attended.

#### **MINUTES**

The Board approved the May 18, June 15, July 20, and August 17, 2017 minutes by unanimous consent.

#### JUDICIAL CONFERENCE PROPOSAL AND PAMPHLET

The Board discussed the April Judicial conference and the pamphlet proposal. The Board has submitted its own proposal and will continue to work on the materials.

#### 2017-2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board approved of the meeting schedule, as is, except for the December meeting which will either be telephonic or cancelled. The Board will determine if a December meeting is necessary at its November meeting.

#### LEGAL CHECK UP

The Work Group has compiled its research and will be finalizing its report for the Board to review at its November meeting.

The Work Group is still trying to determine how the Legal Check Up will be formatted and will need guidance from the Bar.

Once the Legal Check Up is completed, the Board will reach out to stakeholders for input with the Bar's assistance.

#### **GR 24 AMENDMENT**

The Board discussed the North Carolina statute and the possibilities of adopting something similar. The Board discussed the possibilities of expanding the exception list in GR 24.

Professor George Critchlow and Douglas Walsh will work together to prepare a discussion paper on a proposed GR 24 amendment for further discussion by the Board.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The meeting was adjourned.