District of Columbia Bar
Board of Governors Meeting
March 8, 2022

Call to Order
(Agenda Item 1)

President Chad T. Sarchio called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone via Zoom teleconference.

The following members of the Board of Governors were in attendance: President-Elect Ellen M. Jakovic, Treasurer Andrea Mangones, Immediate Past President Geoffrey Klineberg, Jessica E. Adler, Catherine D. Bertram, Brian K. Flowers, Elizabeth (Sally) Gere, Theodore A. Howard, Janene D. Jackson, Su Sie Ju, Natalie M. Koss, June B. Kress, Megan Lacchini, Paul S. Lee, Lisa A. Lipsky, Amy E. Nelson, Peggy Lansbach O'More, Ramya Ravindran, Diane A. Seltzer and Courtney L. Weiner.

Board Secretary Roger Lu Phillips and board member Fatema K. Merchant did not attend.

D.C. Bar Chief Executive Officer Robert J. Spagnoletti and D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center Acting Executive Director Darryl Maxwell attended the meeting, along with the following Bar staff: Matthew S. Butler, Jessica Carlson, Shoushu Chen, David Chu, Dennis Cuevas, Carla J. Freudenburg, Amy Hackett, Margarita Lorenzetti, Karen Lundy, Caterina Luppi, Lisa Martin-Morina, Erum Z. Mirza, Maurice Morrow, Monica Page, Susan Perry, Suhana Rai, Querry Raobelina, Delonte Rogers, Candace Smith-Tucker, Darrin P. Sobin, Suzanne Takeuchi, Hope Todd, Crystal White, and Adriana Zick.

Others in attendance included Yaida O. Ford, Chair of the Rules of Professional Conduct Review Committee, German A. Gomez, Vice Chair of the Rules of Professional Conduct Review Committee, Eric L. Hirschhorn, former member of the Rules of Professional Conduct Review

Committee, Mark A. Salzberg, Chair of the Regulations/Rules/Board Procedures Committee, and Nancy Sylvester, Consultant.

President's Report
(Agenda Item 2)

President Sarchio presented his report which included highlights from the February Voluntary Bar Leadership meeting and the National Conference of Bar Presidents. He reported that the Committee on Nominations had finalized the slate of Board of Governors and ABA candidates for the upcoming D.C. Bar elections and gave a brief update on the search process for the Pro Bono Center Executive Director position. Finally, he noted that nominations for the Voluntary Bar Association of the Year Award were due on March 14.

Consent Agenda
(Agenda Item 3)

President Sarchio presented the Consent Agenda to the Board, which included the minutes of the January 25, 2022, meeting and executive session.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda.

See Tab 3.

Treasurer's Report
(Agenda Item

Treasurer Mangones presented her quarterly report.

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CEO's Report
(Agenda Item 5)

CEO Spagnoletti presented his report, noting that remote operations at the Bar continue, but that hybrid operations will commence the first week of May. The Bar will hold a (virtual) special membership meeting on April 27th from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., where the members will be asked to vote on various resolutions.

He reported that the Bar will host a variety of events through the spring, including a meeting of the National Association of Bar Executives on May 13th and the 2022 Presidents Reception and Celebration of Leadership on June 23rd. He also informed the Board that the D.C. Bar Elections will run from April 28th to June 1st.

Finally, he bid farewell to two Bar staff departing soon – Candace Smith-Tucker, Director of Communities, and Suzanne Takeuchi, Director of Marketing & Communications. He thanked them both for their service to the Bar.

See Tab 5.

Report of the Rules of Professional Conduct Review Committee
(Agenda Item 6)

Yaida O. Ford, German Gomez, and Eric Hirschhorn presented the proposed amendments to the Rules of Professional Conduct regarding outside counsel guidelines.

The Board approved the proposed amendments.

See Tab 6.

Regulations/Rules/Board Procedures Committee Report
(Agenda Item 7)

Regulations/Rules/Board Procedures Committee Chair Mark A. Salzberg provided the committee's final report on the proposed revised D.C. Bar Bylaws and new D.C. Bar Membership Manual, which will be voted on at the April Board meeting.

See Tab 7.

Report of the Audit Committee
(Agenda Item 8)

Board member Amy Nelson presented the annual report of the Audit Committee.

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Report of the Budget Committee
(Agenda Item 9)

President-Elect and Budget Committee Chair Ellen M. Jakovic presented the Budget Committee's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, including a proposed license fee increase of $4.00 for active Bar members and $3.00 for inactive Bar members.

The Board approved the amendment of Article III, Section 1(a)(1) of the By-laws to set the new license fee rates for FY 2022/23 as recommended by the Committee. The remainder of the FY 22-23 budget will be voted on at the April Board meeting.

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Adjournment
(Agenda Item 10)

There being no further business, President Sarchio adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul S. Lee
Secretary *pro tempore*