NEW HAMPSHIRE BAR ASSOCIATION BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Thursday, January 20, 2011 Bar Center – Concord 3:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Present for all or part of the meeting were:

Marilyn B. McNamara
Jennifer L. Parent
Peter E. Hutchins
Robert R. Howard, III
Jaye Rancourt
Eric D. Cook
Jacki A. Smith
Catherine Broderick
John G. McCormick
Ouentin J. Blaine

Victor W. Dahar, Jr.
Philip L. Pettis
Christopher T. Regan
Russell F. Hilliard
John D. MacIntosh
Jeannine L. McCoy
Virginia A. Martin
Paula D. Ludlam
Daniel R. Wise

Joanne M. Hinnendael

A meeting notice reminder, agenda and materials were emailed January 19th. Additional information was distributed at the meeting. The agenda is duplicated below in order of consideration of agenda items. Unless otherwise noted, all motions reported are deemed to have been appropriately proposed, seconded and voted upon by those present.

REGULAR SESSION

A. CALL TO ORDER

Marilyn McNamara

The Regular Session of the January 20, 2011 Board of Governors meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Bar Association President Marilyn B. McNamara.

B. Membership Status Changes for January 2011

Jeannine McCoy

The Board received Membership Status changes, which are attached as a permanent part of these minutes.

C. Requests for Dues Waivers

Denice DeStefano

The Board approved the following requests:

Request of for a waiver of the July 1 deadline date in order to change to Inactive status.

Request of _____, CO for a waiver of the July 1 deadline in order to Resign in good standing.

D. Minutes of December 16, 2010 Meeting

Peter Hutchins

Minutes of the December 16, 2010 Board of Governors meetings were approved as presented.

E. Financial Statements through November 30

Rob Howard

The **Board received** financial statements through November 30, 2010, as approved by the BOG Committee on Administration. Executive Director Jeannine McCoy asked the Board to welcome the Association's new Director of Finance and IT – Paula D. Ludlam.

F. Herr Commission Report Discussion and Follow up Plan

Marilyn McNamara

The Board briefly reviewed the contents of the report of the Judicial Innovation Commission (Herr Commission). Marilyn McNamara explained that Chief Justice Dalianis requested time with the Board later in the meeting to discuss the Commission Report. Marilyn also suggested that Board members review the report and let her know on which recommendations each is interested in working.

G. Legislation Committee Report

John MacIntosh

The Board reviewed recommendations on pending bills as forwarded from the Legislation Committee's Jan. 10 meeting. The Board voted positions as follows (refer to Legislative Chart for bill description and Legislation Committee recommendation):

CACR 2 Oppose

John MacIntosh reviewed the Committee's suggestions for "information" on a number of other bills: CACR3 (Info Gen. Unfav.); HB 26; HB 52; HB 85; SB 17. The Committee also thinks HB 107 should be followed.

H. Pro Bono Update

Jeannine McCoy

It appears that the disagreement between LARC and Pro Bono regarding renewal of the longstanding LSC subgrant Pro Bono now receives through LARC may have been resolved for this year (\$65,000) through mediation. The Board thanked Legal Services Director Ginny Martin, and the Pro Bono Board volunteers, for their hard work on this difficult issue.

I. President's Report

Marilyn McNamara

Marilyn McNamara reported that great attendance is expected for the Midyear Membership Meeting, with almost 500 expected for the morning and afternoon professionalism CLE's and over 500 at the Honors and Awards Luncheon. Great programming and great pricing is bringing together another record crowd for the Midyear Meeting! Marilyn also reminded the Board about the Foundation Fellows and Donors Reception, to which all are invited, at the conclusion of the day – 5:00 p.m. – on February 4.

Marilyn asked the Board to adopt a resolution recognizing members born between 1900-1925, known as the "Greatest Generation", to be presented at the Midyear Meeting.

ACTION

Motion to adopt a resolution recognizing the contributions of NHBA members belonging to the "Greatest Generation." PASSED (unanimously) [The wording of the resolution is attached and made a part of these minutes.]

J. President-Elect Report

Jennifer Parent

Jennifer Parent called the Board's attention to an article by NHBA Communications Director in the distributed Winter 2011 issue of *Bar Leader* magazine. She also reminded the Board that at the February 3 Board meeting, the Leadership Academy participants will be presenting proposals for the three group projects to be undertaken.

K. Executive Director's Report

Jeannine McCoy

- > Paula Ludlam was introduced as the Association's new Director of Finance and IT.
- A few of the accomplishments highlighted in the "You Should Know Activity Update" distributed at the meeting were highlighted.
- ➤ The Board was updated on nominations for the positions to be elected during the 2011 BOG elections. Petitions are due February 15.
- ➤ The Cooperation with the Courts is undertaking some planning regarding the role of the Committee in the future. Discussion about the process was held during the January 19 meeting, and will continue at the next meeting on February 16 at 4:00 p.m.

L. NHBA ABA Delegate Report and Discussion

Russ Hilliard

Association ABA Delegate Russ Hilliard reviewed the Recommendations to be brought before the ABA House of Delegates at the February 2011 Midyear Meeting. The recommendations were e-mailed to the Board on January 17, and while Russ reported that there was nothing of serious consequence for New Hampshire on the agenda, he urged Board members to contact him if anyone had feedback about the pending recommendations.

M. Chief Justice Linda Stewart Dalianis Addresses the Board

Chief Justice Dalianis talked with the Board of Governors about the recommendations of the Judicial Innovation (Herr) Commission and explained that the Court is working with the Legislature and hopes to receive the funding and support that will enable implementation of the recommendations, and ultimately quickly return the investment and result in long-term efficiencies and savings. The Court is the only state entity to undertake this kind of examination of operations and planning, and is seeking the support of the Bar members and their clients for the planned innovations.

ADJOURNMENT

The January 20, 2011 Board of Governors Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannine L. McCoy, for Peter E. Hutchins, Secretary

NEW HAMPSHIRE BAR ASSOCIATION RESOLUTION In Recognition of Members of "The Greatest Generation"

BE IT KNOWN that lawyers born between 1900 and 1925 came of age through the turmoil of pandemic disease, social upheaval, economic depression, and devastating war, yet found the strength and courage to move equality and opportunity forward in the discharge of their duties as officers of the court, advocates for the rule of law, and counselors to the people within their communities, their state and their country. For their courage, determination and lasting contributions, be it;

RESOLVED: That the New Hampshire Bar Association salutes the lawyers of the Greatest Generation for their service and thanks them for the dedication and commitment that brought us through troubled times and gave the next generation a foundation upon which to build.

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Membership Status Changes

Presented to the Board of Governors January 20, 2011

Paid Inactive Retired to **ACTIVE**

Dye, Christopher D., Plainfield, NH (effective December 16, 2010)

Paid Inactive to **ACTIVE**

Billings, Gregory, Keene, NH (effective December 31, 2010) Hoover, Deborah DePorter, Hudson, OH (effective December 29, 2010) Patterson, Jennifer J., Concord, NH (effective December 28, 2010)

Paid Full Time Judicial to **INACTIVE**

Cullen, R. Lawrence, Hampton, NH (effective December 13, 2010)

Honorary Active to **HONORARY INACTIVE**

Morse, Mayland H. Jr., Concord, NH (effective December 22, 2010)

Paid Active to INACTIVE

Gaffney, Kathleen M., Dedham, MA (effective December 15, 2010) Villeneuve, Jennifer G., Damariscotta, ME (effective November 19, 2010)

Paid Active to **INACTIVE RETIRED**

Howard, Hampton W., Sharon, NH (effective January 1, 2011)

Paid Active to **RESIGNED**

McWalters, Robert Thomas, Hillsboro, NH (effective December 31, 2010)

New Admittees selecting **INACTIVE** status (effective November 9, 2010 unless otherwise noted)

Berardo, Justin D., Jersey City, NJ

Boone, Adrienne F., Concord, NH

Caccavale, Samuel J., Beverly, MA

Dervan, Peter D., Boston, MA

Fellian, Nicole M. S., Hopkinton, NH

Geiger, Alexandra L., Brookline, MA

Hughes, Brandy N., Melrose, MA

Krohne, Eric D., Dover, NH

Lane, Brook S., Newfields, NH