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BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Noon ■ Wednesday, June 4, 2025
Miramar Beach, Florida

*** M I N U T E S ***

President Patrick A. Talley, Jr. called the meeting to order at 12 p.m., Wednesday, June 4, 2025, in Miramar Beach, Florida. Business was conducted in accordance with the agenda below.

Agenda Item 1. Roll Call

Ms. Larsen called roll and advised that the following members, who constituted a quorum, participated:

President, Patrick A. Talley, Jr.
President-Elect, Edward J. Walters, Jr.
Secretary, Valerie T. Schexnayder
Treasurer, C.A. "Hap" Martin III
Immediate Past President, Shayna L. Sonnier
Chair, Young Lawyers Division, Kristen D. Amond
First Board District Representative, J. Christopher Zainey, Jr.
Third Board District Representative, Melanie W. Chatagnier
Fourth Board District Representative, Adam P. Johnson
Fifth Board District Representative, Carrie LeBlanc Jones
Sixth Board District Representative, Barry M. Barnett
Seventh Board District Representative, Amy J. Miller
Eighth Board District Representative, Senée D. Hall
At-Large Member, Jeffrey A. Riggs
At-Large Member, L. Bradley Hancock
At-Large Member, Tina L. Suggs
From the Faculty of Loyola University College of Law, Monica Hof Wallace
From the Faculty of Southern University Law Center, Donald W. North
From the Louisiana State Law Institute, André Doguet
House of Delegates Committee on Liaison Chair, Shannon Seiler Dartez
House of Delegates Committee on Liaison Member, Sandra K. Cosby

Also present were:

President-Elect Designee, Curtis R. Joseph, Jr.
Secretary-Elect, Bradley J. Tate

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Executive Director, Loretta Larsen, CAE
Associate Executive Director, Cheri Cotogno Grodsky
Access to Justice Director, Monte T. Mollere
Communications Director, Kelly W. Ponder
Director of Member Outreach and Diversity, Tricia R. Pierre
IT Director, Ashley J. Cambre
Access to Justice Training and Project Counsel, Amy Duncan
Governance Coordinator, Jen France

Absent were:

First Board District Representative, Graham H. Ryan
Second Board District Representative, Jeffrey G. Lagarde
Fifth Board District Representative, Kelly M. Rabalais
House of Delegates Committee on Liaison Member, Aaron R. Wilson

Agenda Item 2. Consent Calendar

a. Approval of Minutes

Consideration of approval of minutes of the April 6 meeting in New Orleans.

Upon motion by Mr. Douget and second by Mr. Riggs, the Board unanimously approved the consent agenda.

Agenda Item 3. Section Reporting and Compliance – Patrick A. Talley, Jr.

Mr. Talley reviewed the sections' annual reports, noting that all but one section was in compliance. He advised that the Board has historically granted an additional 30 days for compliance. Upon motion by Mr. Johnson and second by Ms. Sonnier, the Board voted unanimously to allow an additional 30 days for the Mineral Law section to comply with the section reporting requirements.

Agenda Item 4. Report of the President – Patrick A. Talley, Jr.

Mr. Talley expressed his gratitude to all Board members for their service throughout the year and told the Board that it had been his honor to serve with them during his term as President.

Agenda Item 5. Recognition of 2024/2025 Board Members – Patrick A. Talley, Jr.

Mr. Talley presented each Board member with a token of his appreciation for their service and presented certificates for those members whose terms on the Board were ending.

Agenda Item 6. Presentations – Edward J. Walters, Jr.

Mr. Walters presented Mr. Talley with a gift from the Board of Governors in appreciation for his service to the Association.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted:

Valerie T. Schexnayder

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**APPROVED BY BOARD OF GOVERNORS
AUGUST 23, 2025
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