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HOUSE OF DELEGATES
9 a.m. ■ Saturday, January 20, 2018
Renaissance Baton Rouge Hotel

MINUTES

President Dona K. Renegar called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m., on Saturday, January 20, 2018. Business was conducted in accordance with the agenda below.

Prior to convening the House of Delegates meeting, the following awards were presented:

- LSBA Citizen Lawyer Awards – presented by President Dona Kay Renegar
 - Hon. Scott U. Schlegel
 - Meredith S. Grabill
 - Benjamin W. Kadden
 - Walter J. Leger, Jr.
 - Pamela A. Stewart
 - Adrienne D. White
- LCLCE Judge Benjamin Jones Judges in the Classroom Award – presented by LCLCE President Lawrence J. Centola III
 - Hon. Sheva M. Sims

President Renegar also recognized members of the Leadership LSBA 2017-2018 Class:

- Brittany O. Rosenbloom, Co-Chair
- Micah C. Zeno, Co-Chair
- Bethany A. Blackson
- Kristian B. Dobard
- Shanerika M. Flemings
- Gerald J. Hampton, Jr.
- R. Gary Higgins, Jr.
- Kathleen M. Legendre
- J. Reed Poole, Jr.
- Anna Brown Priestly
- Alexander L. Reed
- Christopher J. Sellers, Jr.
- Elizabeth Fontenot Shea

- Todd C. Taranto
- Arielle L. Young
- Betty Ann Maury

I. Certification of Quorum by the Secretary

Secretary John E. McAuliffe, Jr. certified that a quorum was present. A copy of the attendance roster is attached as an addendum to these Minutes.

II. Recognition of Deceased Members of the House of Delegates

There were no deceased members.

General Session

III. Reports of Standing Committees of the House *

There were no oral reports from Standing Committees of the House.

IV. Reports of Officers, Board of Governors, Standing Committees and Sections of the Louisiana State Bar Association *

1. Dona K. Renegar, President
2. Barry H. Grodsky, President-Elect
3. H. Minor Pipes III, Treasurer
4. John E. McAuliffe, Jr., Secretary

All officers waived their reports. Committee reports were emailed in advance of the House meeting.

V. Reports of Special Committees of the Louisiana State Bar Association*

Committee reports were emailed in advance of the House meeting.

VI. Other Reports*

There were no other reports.

Activities of the House of Delegates

VII. Old Business

There was no old business to come before the House.

VIII. Approval of Minutes

Consideration of approval of the Minutes of the June 8, 2017 meeting of the House of Delegates, held in Destin, Florida.

Upon motion by Robert Kutcher and second by Sandra Cosby, both of the 24th Judicial District, the House unanimously approved the minutes as presented.

IX. Elections

1. Election of one member to serve a three-year term on the House of Delegates Liaison Committee, to commence at the conclusion of the 2018 Annual Meeting and end at the

conclusion of the 2021 Annual Meeting. This member shall be elected from House of Delegates members representing the 20th through 42nd Judicial Districts.

After being nominated by Mr. Kutcher and seconded by Sandra Cosby, Shayna Beevers Morvant of the 24th Judicial District was elected by acclamation.

2. Election, from the three Liaison Committee members, of a Chair of the House of Delegates Liaison Committee for 2018-2019, whose term will commence at the conclusion of the 2018 Annual Meeting. The Chair of the Liaison Committee is a voting member of the Board of Governors.

President Renegar announced that the three members of the committee were Sandra Cosby of the 24th Judicial District, Jeffrey Riggs of the 15th Judicial District and Shayna Beevers Morvant of the 24th Judicial District. Upon motion and second, Ms. Cosby was elected by acclamation.

X. Resolutions

Committee Resolution

1. Resolution from the Committee on the Profession to amend the Code of Professionalism.

Committee on the Profession Co-Chair Barry H. Grodsky introduced the resolution. Mr. Kutcher moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Jack K. Whitehead, Jr. of the 19th Judicial District. Michael E. Holoway, 22nd Judicial District and Committee on the Profession Co-Chair, spoke in favor of the resolution, after which the House unanimously approved the resolution.

Section Resolution

2. Resolution from the Labor Relations and Employment Law Section to amend the Section's Bylaws.

Section Chair Kathryn M. Knight introduced the resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Michael W. McKay of the 19th Judicial District and unanimously approved by the House.

Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization Resolution

3. Resolution from the Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization to amend Tax Law Standards.

Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization Chair Melanie C. Lockett introduced the resolution. Mr. McKay moved its approval, which motion was seconded by Mr. Kutcher and approved by the House.

Member Resolutions

4. Resolution from Francis Barry and Glenn Adams (both of the 41st Judicial District) requesting that the House of Delegates:

- suspend implementation of the current standards for specialization in Employment Law; and
- request that the Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization conduct further study on the Employment Law Standards.

Francis J. Barry, Jr. of the 41st Judicial District introduced the resolution and moved its adoption. Glenn Adams seconded.

The following spoke in support of the resolution:

- *Mark N. Mallery, 41st Judicial District*
- *Glenn B. Adams, 41st Judicial District*
- *Jeffrey A. Riggs, 15th Judicial District*

The following spoke against the resolution:

- *Melanie C. Lockett, Chair, Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization*
- *Steven J. Farber, Government and Public Law Section Chair*
- *William Corbett, Committee to Review Labor and Employment Law Specialization Chair*
- *Jack K. Whitehead, Jr., 19th Judicial District*

Mr. Barry made closing remarks

After being unable to determine the outcome from a voice vote, President Renegar requested a vote by show of hands, by which the House approved the resolution by a vote of 102 to 66.

5. Resolution from Francis Barry and Glenn Adams (both of the 41st Judicial District) requesting that the House of Delegates:
 - suspend implementation of the current standards for specialization in Labor Law; and
 - request that the Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization conduct further study on the Labor Law Standards.

Mr. Adams introduced the resolution and moved its adoption, noting it was a companion to Resolution 4. Upon motion and second, the House voted unanimously to close debate. The House approved the resolution by voice vote

6. Resolution from Dan M. Boudreaux to amend the LSBA Bylaws to create a dues waiver procedure for those lawyers who complete at least 20 hours of approved pro bono legal services per fiscal year of the LSBA.

In Mr. Boudreaux's absence, Ms. Morvant moved to table the resolution, which motion was seconded by Ms. Cosby and unanimously approved by the House.

7. Resolution from Ben E. Clayton (22nd Judicial District) for the LSBA to establish and maintain a section dedicated to the study, evaluation, consideration and other aspects of both the United States and Louisiana constitutions.

Mr. Clayton withdrew his resolution.

8. Resolution from R. Bradley Lewis (22nd Judicial District) that the LSBA:
- supports the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Article I of the Louisiana Constitution, and freedom of speech and the freedom of religion;
 - urges the repeal of all laws and municipal ordinances, regulations, rules, executive orders and other practices that prohibit or impair the freedom of speech or the freedom of religion;
 - urges the repeal of all laws that discriminate against persons because of their faith, their free exercise thereof, or because of their expression of their religious or political views;
 - urges the adoption of laws which protect freedom of speech and freedom of religion; and
 - sends a copy of the resolution to the Louisiana Governor, the Speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives, the President of the Louisiana Senate, and to the Louisiana Municipal Association.

Mr. Lewis Introduced the resolution and moved for adoption, which motion was duly seconded.

Ms. Renegar recognized Bar Governance Committee Chair Darrel J. Papillion, who advised that the committee had met and reached the following conclusions:

- *The LSBA should not be on record in support of only one aspect of the Constitution; and*
- *The LSBA should not be taking position on social, political or religious issues.*

Minority Involvement Section Chair Damarcus Gordon and Civil Law & Litigation Section Chair Lynn Luker spoke against the resolution, and Ben E. Clayton of the 22nd Judicial District spoke in support of the resolution

Mr. Lewis gave closing comments, after which the resolution failed by a voice vote.

XI. Other Business

Consideration of any other business to come before the House of Delegates.

President Renegar recognized Evan J. Bergeron of the 41st Judicial District, who had circulated a resolution “To Express the Sentiment of the House and Urge and Request the Louisiana State Bar Association Board of Governors to Select an Alternative Location for the Annual Louisiana State Bar Convention and Judicial Summer School outside the State of Florida based on that State’s Governor’s recent statements against the State of Louisiana and forthcoming efforts to harm Louisiana’s economic interests,” and who had advised the House of his intent to request a suspension of the rules in order to consider the resolution.

Mr. Bergeron announced that he had spoken with President Renegar in advance of the meeting and decided not to ask for a suspension of the rules, but to instead attempt to work within mechanisms available to address his concerns.

President Renegar thanked House members for their service and for their commitment to the LSBA.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John E. McAuliffe, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

John E. McAuliffe, Jr.,
Secretary

APPROVED BY HOUSE OF DELEGATES
JUNE 7, 2018
DESTIN, FLORIDA

ADDENDUM
2017-2018 HOUSE OF DELEGATES
ATTENDANCE · 2018 MIDYEAR MEETING

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT (14 seats) Parish of Caddo

Louis R. Avallone
PRESENT Claude W. Bookter, Jr.
Joseph A. Cannatella, Jr.
James L. Fortson, Jr.
PRESENT Stephen Christopher Fortson
PRESENT Daryl Gold BY PROXY TO Shanerika Flemings
PRESENT W. James Hill III BY PROXY TO Anna Brown Priestley
PRESENT Amy Michelle Perkins
PRESENT Nyle A. Politz
PRESENT Joseph L. Shea, Jr.
PRESENT Kenneth Craig Smith, Jr.
PRESENT Scott R. Wolf
PRESENT Paul L. Wood

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT (3 seats) Parishes of Bienville, Claiborne & Jackson

Tammy G. Jump
PRESENT Yumeaka Robinson Washington

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT (3 seats) Parishes of Lincoln & Union

Addison K. Goff IV
Shelley Ann Goff
PRESENT Tyler G. Storms

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (11 seats) Parishes of Morehouse & Ouachita

PRESENT Martin Shane Craighead
John Albert Ellis
PRESENT Lakeisha J. Johnson
PRESENT Ramsey L. Ogg
Lavalle B. Salomon
PRESENT Arthur L. Stewart
PRESENT William Michael Street
PRESENT Peggy J. Sullivan
David J. Summersgill, Jr.
Jessica Welch Williams
PRESENT Thomas G. Zentner, Jr.

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (3 seats) Parishes of Franklin, Richland, & West Carroll

PRESENT John Clay Hamilton

SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parishes of East Carroll, Madison & Tensas

PRESENT George F. Fox, Jr.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parishes of Catahoula & Concordia

PRESENT Joseph A. Boothe

PRESENT Ann S. Siddall

EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of Winn

PRESENT Justin Keith Gates

NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (7 seats) Parish of Rapides

Marcus Augustine

Bradley L. Drell

PRESENT Harold A. Murry

PRESENT Edward L. Tarpley, Jr.

PRESENT Stephen Wheelis

PRESENT David M. Williams

PRESENT Zebulon M. Winstead

TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Natchitoches

Cloyd Benjamin

PRESENT Keenan K. Kelly

ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of Sabine

PRESENT Rebecca Riall

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Avoyelles

PRESENT Douglas L. Bryan

PRESENT Dan B. McKay, Jr.

THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Evangeline

Abby Bergeron Landreneau

FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (9 seats) Parish of Calcasieu

PRESENT Theresa A. Barnatt BY PROXY TO Daniel L. Lorenzi

PRESENT Cade R. Cole BY PROXY TO Elizabeth F. Shea

PRESENT Brian Lee Coody BY PROXY TO Alexander Reed

L. Paul Foreman

PRESENT Thomas L. Lorenzi

Robert C. McCorquodale

PRESENT Chantell Marie Smith

PRESENT Kenneth M. Wright

FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (13 seats) Parishes of Acadia, Lafayette & Vermillion

Loretta Bianca Chretien

Steven G. Durio

PRESENT Chase J. Edwards

PRESENT Scott F. Higgins

PRESENT Matthew J. Hill, Jr. BY PROXY TO Vanessa Anseman

PRESENT Katherine L. Hurst
PRESENT Andrew B. Mims
PRESENT Donovan J. O’Pry II
PRESENT Joseph R. Oelkers III
PRESENT Jeffrey A. Riggs
PRESENT Michael D. Skinner
PRESENT Dwazendra Smith
PRESENT Juliette B. Wade

SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (8 seats) Parishes of Iberia, St. Martin & St. Mary

PRESENT Adolph B. Curet III
PRESENT Eric P. Duplantis
PRESENT Pamela A. Lemoins
PRESENT Marsha McNulty
PRESENT Andrew Reed
PRESENT Maggie T. Simar
PRESENT Anne G. Stevens
PRESENT Dennis R. Stevens

SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (5 seats) Parish of Lafourche

PRESENT William N. Abel
PRESENT Daniel A. Cavell
PRESENT Marla Mitchell
PRESENT Robert M. Pugh
PRESENT Nicholas J. Zeringue

EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (4 seats) Parishes of Iberville, Pointe Coupee & West Baton Rouge

PRESENT J. Lane Ewing, Jr.
PRESENT Stephen Philibert Jewell
PRESENT Deidre Deculus Robert
PRESENT David M. Tubbs

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (21 seats) Parish of East Baton Rouge

PRESENT B. Scott Andrews
PRESENT Kelly E. Balfour
PRESENT Jesse H. Bankston, Jr.
PRESENT Valerie B. Bargas
PRESENT James E. Boren
PRESENT Dana B. Brown BY PROXY TO Parker DeAgno
PRESENT Donald J. Cazayoux, Jr.
PRESENT Douglas J. Cochran
PRESENT Jean M. Faria BY PROXY TO Bethany Blackson
PRESENT Frank A. Fertitta
PRESENT C. Frank Holthaus
PRESENT Jay M. Jalenak, Jr.

PRESENT Michael W. McKay
PRESENT Rusty M. Messer
Adrian G. Nadeau
PRESENT Julie Baxter Payer
PRESENT Mary E. Roper
PRESENT Amanda S. Stout
PRESENT David Abboud Thomas
PRESENT Mary Ann M. White
PRESENT Jack K. Whitehead, Jr.

TWENTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parishes of East Feliciana & West Feliciana

PRESENT Samuel Christopher D'Aquila
PRESENT Stewart B. Hughes

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT (9 seats) Parishes of Livingston, St. Helena & Tangipahoa

PRESENT Mary E. Heck Barrios
PRESENT Erik L. Burns
PRESENT Anthony Todd Caruso
PRESENT Steven J. Farber
PRESENT Colt Justin Fore
PRESENT Ivy Landry Graham
PRESENT D. Blayne Honeycutt
Amanda L. Huff Brown
PRESENT Robert W. Morgan

TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT (12 seats) Parishes of St. Tammany & Washington

PRESENT Clayton J. Borne IV
PRESENT Ben E. Clayton
PRESENT Debra Kay Henkels
PRESENT Waldon M. Hingle
PRESENT Michael E. Holoway
PRESENT Robert C. Lehman
PRESENT R. Bradley Lewis
L. Jay McCreary
PRESENT Sean M. Morrison
PRESENT Patrice W. Oppenheim
PRESENT Todd C. Taranto

TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT (5 seats) Parishes of Ascension, Assumption & St. James

PRESENT Christopher J. Bridges
Lana O. Chaney
PRESENT Michael J. Poirrier

Timothy E. Pujol

TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (19 seats) Parish of Jefferson

PRESENT Simone B. Boustead
PRESENT Thomas C. Cerullo
PRESENT David L. Colvin
PRESENT Sandra K. Cosby
PRESENT S. Guy deLaup
PRESENT Michael R. Delesdernier
PRESENT Edwin R. Fleischmann, Jr.
PRESENT Paul C. Fleming, Jr.
PRESENT Michael R. Gelder
PRESENT Christy M. Howley BY PROXY TO Robert A. Kutcher
PRESENT Adrian F. LaPeyronnie III
PRESENT Richard K. Leefe
PRESENT Betty Ann Maury
PRESENT Scott W. McQuaig
PRESENT Shayna Beevers Morvant
PRESENT Bryan A. Pfleeger
PRESENT Roy A. Raspanti
PRESENT George B. Recile
PRESENT Tina Louise Suggs

TWENTY-FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Plaquemine

PRESENT S. Jacob Braud
PRESENT Dominick Scandurro, Jr.

TWENTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (6 seats) Parishes of Bossier & Webster

PRESENT John Zachary Blanchard, Jr.
PRESENT Amanda J. Hulett
Patrick R. Jackson
PRESENT Ross E. Shacklette
John B. Slattery, Jr.
PRESENT David L. White

TWENTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (4 seats) Parish of St. Landry

PRESENT Scherri N. Guidry
PRESENT Francis A. Olivier III
Ogden L. Pitre
PRESENT Randy Wagley

TWENTY-EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of LaSalle

Kamra S. Craig

TWENTY-NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (3 seats) Parish of St. Charles

PRESENT Steven F. Griffith, Sr.

PRESENT Don Paul Landry
Robert L. Raymond

THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (3 seats) Parish of Vernon

PRESENT Wesley R. Bailey
Mary K. Beaird
Mark H. Kramar

THIRTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of Jefferson Davis

THIRTY-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT (5 seats) Parish of Terrebonne

PRESENT Charles C. Bourque, Jr.
Teresa D. King
Patricia P. Reeves-Floyd

THIRTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Allen

PRESENT Mary Hebert Holmes
PRESENT Michael Bruce Holmes

THIRTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (5 seats) Parish of St. Bernard

PRESENT Roberta L. Burns
Tracy Helen Duplantier
PRESENT Gregory J. Noto
PRESENT Gregory W. Rome
Paul A. Tabary III

THIRTY-FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of Grant

PRESENT Scott M. Prudhomme

THIRTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Beauregard

THIRTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of Caldwell

Brian E. Frazier

THIRTY-EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of Cameron

PRESENT Robert James Sheffield, Jr.

THIRTY-NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of Red River

Luke D. Mitchell

FORTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (3 seats) Parish of St. John the Baptist

PRESENT Geoffrey M. Michel
PRESENT William D. O'Regan III

FORTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT (32 seats) Parish of Orleans

PRESENT Donald R. Abaunza BY PROXY TO Stephanie Skinner

PRESENT Glenn B. Adams
 PRESENT Francis J. Barry, Jr.
 PRESENT Ashley L. Belleau
 PRESENT Alicia M. Bendana BY PROXY TO Barry H. Grodsky
 PRESENT Jack C. Benjamin, Jr.
 PRESENT Evan J. Bergeron
 PRESENT Thomas A. Casey, Jr. BY PROXY TO Micah Fincher
 PRESENT Lawrence J. Centola, III
 PRESENT Justin M. Chopin
 Thomas Louis Colletta, Jr.
 Richard B. Eason, II
 PRESENT Judith A. Gainsburgh
 PRESENT James C. Gulotta, Jr.
 PRESENT Philip K. Jones, Jr.
 PRESENT Tracy O. Joseph
 Mark D. Latham
 PRESENT David W. Leefe
 PRESENT Chadwick J. Mollere
 PRESENT André J. Mouledoux BY PROXY TO Mark Mallery
 PRESENT Brian P. Quirk BY PROXY TO Christopher Sellers
 PRESENT Christopher K. Ralston
 PRESENT Louis Gravois Schott
 PRESENT Karen B. Sher
 PRESENT Ronald J. Sholes
 John A. Stassi II
 PRESENT Patrick A. Talley, Jr.
 PRESENT Irving J. Warshauer
 PRESENT Craig R. Webb BY PROXY TO Micah Zeno
 Edward D. Wegmann
 Phillip A. Wittmann
 Jay C. Zainey, Jr.

FORTY-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of DeSoto

PRESENT Dick D. Knadler
 PRESENT Adrienne D. White

SECTION CHAIRS

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