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**HOUSE OF DELEGATES**  
**9 a.m. ■ Thursday, June 9, 2016**  
**Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort ■ Destin, FL**

**MINUTES**

President Mark Cunningham called to order the meeting of the House of Delegates of the Louisiana State Bar Association at 10:55 a.m., Thursday, June 9, 2016, following the General Assembly. Business was conducted in accordance with the agenda below.

**A G E N D A**

**I. Certification of Quorum by the Secretary**

*Ms. Mire 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**

*The House observed a moment of silence for the following deceased individuals:*

- *Ralph Brewer, HOD member, 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District*
- *Michael L. Hughes, HOD member, 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District*
- *Henry B. Alsobrook, Jr., former LSBA President*
- *William B. Baggett, Sr., former LSBA President*

**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. Mark A. Cunningham, President
2. Darrel J. Papillion, President-Elect
3. Alainna R. Mire, Secretary
4. Robert A. Kutcher, Treasurer

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*No oral reports were given, as those who had reports made them to the General Assembly, which immediately preceded the House of Delegates meeting. Written reports were distributed in advance of the meeting.*

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

*There were no oral reports from Special Committees. Written reports were distributed in advance of the meeting.*

### VI. **Other Reports\***

*There were no other reports.*

## Activities of the House of Delegates

### VII. **Approval of Minutes**

Consideration of approval of the Minutes of the January 16, 2016 Meeting of the House of Delegates, held in New Orleans.

*Upon motion and second, the House unanimously approved the minutes as presented.*

### VIII. **Old Business**

*There was no old business to come before the House.*

### IX. **Elections**

1. Election of three (3) members of the House of Delegates to the Special Advisory Committee to Authorize the President to Speak on Behalf of the Association. The committee is composed of the president, president-elect, secretary, chair of the Public Information Committee, and the three (3) House of Delegates members.

*Mr. Cunningham recognized Dona K. Renegar of the 15<sup>th</sup> JD, who made a motion to suspend the rules of the House, which motion was seconded by Michael W. McKay of the 19<sup>th</sup> JD. The House unanimously approved the motion to suspend the rules.*

*Ms. Renegar then move to dissolve the special committee and refer all such matters to the Public Information Committee, which committee did not exist when the special committee was created and which committee is now chaired by House of Delegates member Julie Baxter Payer. After second by Mr. McKay, the House unanimously approved the motion.*

2. Election of five (5) members of the House of Delegates to serve three-year terms on the Legislation Committee. To ensure geographically diverse representation, there shall be no more than four (4) House of Delegates representatives from a judicial district at any given time. Terms commence on July 1 immediately following the election and end on June 30, 2019.

*The House reelected the following five members to serve three-year terms on the Legislation Committee: Charles C. Bourque, Jr. of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District; Val P. Exnicios of the Class Action, Mass Tort & Complex Litigation Section; Keenan K. Kelly of the 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District; Michael W. McKay of the 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District; and Ann S. Siddall of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District.*

3. Election of a member of the Louisiana State Bar Association House of Delegates to serve ex-officio as a member of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Bar Foundation for a three-year term beginning 2016 and ending 2019. This individual must be a Fellow of the Louisiana Bar Foundation.

*Upon motion by H. Minor Pipes III of the 41<sup>st</sup> JD and second by Robert A. Kutcher of the 24<sup>th</sup> JD, the House elected Deidre Deculus Robert of the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District by acclamation.*

## **X. Resolutions**

### **Section Resolution**

1. Resolution from the Public Utility Section to amends its Bylaws to increase the number of members elected to the council of the Section from two to five.

*After motion by Section Chair Jamie Hurst Watts and second by H. Minor Pipes III, the House unanimously approved the resolution via voice vote.*

### **Committee Resolutions**

2. Resolution from the Rules of Professional Conduct Committee proposing to recommend to the Louisiana Supreme Court amendment of Rule 1.5(f)(2), which would add additional requirements regarding flat fee arrangements.

*Upon motion by Joseph L. Shea, Jr. of the 1<sup>st</sup> JD and second by Mr. McKay, the House approved this resolution via voice vote.*

3. Resolution from the Legislation Committee asking the House of Delegates to support legislation that would prohibit discrimination in pay based on race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or age.

*Keenan K. Kelly of the 10<sup>th</sup> JD made the motion, which was seconded by Val P. Exnicios of the Class Action, Mass Tort & Complex Litigation Section. After several members spoke both for and against the resolution, the House approved the resolution via voice vote.*

### **Member Resolutions**

4. Resolution from 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Delegate Edward L. Tarpley, Jr. asking the House of Delegates to approve a resolution urging the Louisiana Legislature to require unanimous criminal jury verdicts.

*Mr. Tarpley made the motion which was duly seconded. The House approved the resolution.*

5. Resolution from 29<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Delegate Don Paul Landry asking the House of Delegates to:

- Recognize that LGBT people have a human right to be free from discrimination, threats, violence and denigration based on their LGBT status;

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- Urge the repeal of all constitutional amendments, laws, regulations and rules or practices that denigrate or discriminate against LGBT individuals; and
- Urge the adoption of laws prohibiting discrimination in employment, housing and accommodations for LGBT persons.

*Mr. Landry made the motion which was duly seconded. After a number of members spoke both for and against the resolution, the House approved the resolution.*

6. Resolution from 24<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Delegate Adrian F. LaPeyronnie III which would require the LSBA to offer its members the opportunity to include in their online member profiles both their photographs and their legal office website addresses.

*Thomas C. Cerullo of the 24<sup>th</sup> JD made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Shea and unanimously approved by the House via voice vote.*

7. Resolution from 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Delegate Joseph L. “Larry” Shea, Jr. asking the House of Delegates to:
  - Oppose any legislation and government rules or regulations which would permit non-lawyers to engage in the practice of law; and
  - Promote and support legislation to provide remedies and access to a Louisiana forum for Louisiana consumers who are harmed by non-lawyers who sell, license or market legal services and products, including software, online solutions and legal forms.

*Mr. Shea made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Leefe of the 24<sup>th</sup> JD. After a number of members spoke for and against the resolution, the House approved the resolution.*

8. Resolution from Class Action, Mass Tort and Complex Litigation Section Chair Val P. Exnicios asking the House of Delegates to adopt a policy in favor of retaining LSBA representation on statewide boards, commissions and task forces.

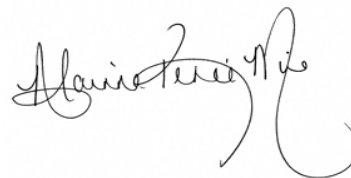
*Mr. Exnicios made the motion, which was seconded by Ronald J. Sholes of the 41<sup>st</sup> JD and unanimously approved by the House.*

**XI. Other Business**

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

*There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted:



Alainna Renee Mire,  
Secretary

**APPROVED BY HOUSE OF DELEGATES**  
**JANUARY 21, 2017**  
**BATON ROUGE, LA**

**ADDENDUM**  
**2016-2017 HOUSE OF DELEGATES**  
**ATTENDANCE - 2016 ANNUAL MEETING**

**FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT (14 seats) Parish of Caddo**

Louis R. Avallone  
Kila L. Bobier  
Claude W. Bookter, Jr.  
PRESENT Joseph A. Cannatella, Jr.  
James L. Fortson, Jr.  
Stephen Christopher Fortson  
Daryl Gold  
W. James Hill III  
PRESENT Amy Michelle Perkins  
Nyle A. Politz  
PRESENT Joseph L. Shea, Jr.  
Kenneth Craig Smith, Jr.  
PRESENT Scott R. Wolf  
Paul L. Wood

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

Tammy G. Jump  
Yumeaka Robinson Washington

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

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

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

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

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

John Clay Hamilton  
Amanda Hollis

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

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.

Stephen Wheelis

PRESENT David M. Williams BY PROXY TO Charles Elliott

Zebulon M. Winstead

**TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Natchitoches**

PRESENT Keenan K. Kelly

**ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (1 seat) Parish of Sabine**

Rebecca Riall

**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Avoyelles**

Douglas L. Bryan

Dan B. McKay, Jr.

**THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (2 seats) Parish of Evangeline**

Timmy J. Fontenot

Abby Bergeron Landreneau

**FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (9 seats) Parish of Calcasieu**

PRESENT Theresa A. Barnatt

PRESENT Cade R. Cole

PRESENT Brian Lee Coody

L. Paul Foreman

PRESENT Thomas L. Lorenzi

PRESENT Robert C. McCorquodale

PRESENT David Daniel Palay, Jr.

PRESENT Chantell Marie Smith BY PROXY TO Todd Ammons

Kenneth M. Wright

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

Loretta Bianca Chretien

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PRESENT Steven G. Durio BY PROXY TO Blake David  
Chase J. Edwards

PRESENT Scott F. Higgins BY PROXY TO Dona K. Renegar  
Matthew J. Hill, Jr.

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

PRESENT Juliette B. Wade BY PROXY TO Franchesca Hamilton-Acker

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

Adolph B. Curet III  
Eric P. Duplantis  
Pamela A. Lemoins  
Marsha McNulty  
Andrew Reed

PRESENT Maggie T. Simar  
Anne G. Stevens  
Dennis R. Stevens

**SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (5 seats) Parish of Lafourche**

William N. Abel

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

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

J. Lane Ewing, Jr.  
Stephen Philibert Jewell

PRESENT Deidre Deculus Robert  
David M. Tubbs

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

PRESENT B. Scott Andrews  
Kelly E. Balfour

PRESENT Jesse H. Bankston, Jr.

PRESENT Valerie B. Bargas

PRESENT James E. Boren

PRESENT Dana B. Brown

PRESENT Donald J. Cazayoux, Jr. BY PROXY TO Lynette Roberson

PRESENT Douglas J. Cochran

PRESENT Jean M. Faria

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Frank A. Fertitta  
PRESENT C. Frank Holthaus BY PROXY TO Susan Manuel  
PRESENT Jay M. Jalenak, Jr.  
PRESENT Michael W. McKay  
Adrian G. Nadeau  
PRESENT Julie Baxter Payer BY PROXY TO C. Kevin Hayes  
PRESENT Mary E. Roper  
PRESENT Valerie T. Schexnayder  
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

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

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

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

PRESENT Clayton J. Borne IV  
Eric K. Buerger  
PRESENT William Harvell Burris BY PROXY TO R. Bradley Lewis  
PRESENT Gordon Timothy Herrin  
William M. Hingle  
PRESENT Willard O. Lape, III BY PROXY TO Ben Clayton  
PRESENT Robert C. Lehman  
PRESENT J. Kevin McNary BY PROXY TO Michael Holoway  
PRESENT Patrice W. Oppenheim BY PROXY TO Henry Miltenberger  
PRESENT Todd C. Taranto  
Diana E. Velez

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

PRESENT Christopher J. Bridges BY PROXY TO Jackie McCreary



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Lana O. Chaney  
PRESENT Rusty M. Messer  
Michael J. Poirrier  
Timothy E. Pujol

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

PRESENT Allen I. Boudreaux, Jr.  
PRESENT Paul M. Brannon BY PROXY TO Renee Swanson  
Robert J. Caluda  
PRESENT Thomas C. Cerullo  
PRESENT Sandra K. Cosby  
PRESENT S. Guy deLaup  
PRESENT Michael R. Delesdernier BY PROXY TO Eddie McAuliffe  
Paul C. Fleming, Jr.  
PRESENT Christy M. Howley BY PROXY TO Mickey deLaup  
PRESENT Adrian F. LaPeyronnie III BY PROXY TO Edwin Fleischmann, Jr.  
PRESENT John J. Lee, Jr.  
PRESENT Richard K. Leefe  
PRESENT Scott W. McQuaig BY PROXY TO Robert Kutcher  
PRESENT Shayna Beevers Morvant  
PRESENT Bryan A. Pfleeger  
PRESENT Roy A. Raspanti  
George B. Recile  
Mettery I. Sherry, Jr.  
PRESENT Tina Louise Suggs

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

PRESENT S. Jacob Braud  
Dominick Scandurro, Jr.

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

PRESENT John Zachary Blanchard, Jr.  
Amanda J. Hulett  
Patrick R. Jackson  
Ingrid James  
Ross E. Shacklette

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

PRESENT Francis A. Olivier III  
Jacque B. Pucheu, Jr.  
Randy Wagley

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

Steven Paul Kendrick

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

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PRESENT Steven F. Griffith, Sr. BY PROXY TO Paula Ates

PRESENT Don Paul Landry  
Robert L. Raymond

**THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (3 seats) Parish of Vernon**

D. Wayne Bush

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

PRESENT Richard M. Arceneaux

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

PRESENT Charles C. Bourque, Jr.  
Sye Joseph Broussard  
Heather Chapin McAllister  
Patricia P. Reeves-Floyd

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

Mary Hebert Holmes  
Michael Bruce Holmes

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

Roberta L. Burns  
Tracy Helen Duplantier  
Gregory J. Noto  
PRESENT Gregory W. Rome BY PROXY TO Hon. Robert Buckley  
Paul A. Tabary III

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

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**

John Q. Davis

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

Vercell F. Fiffie  
Nghana L. Gauff  
William D. O'Regan III

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

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PRESENT Donald R. Abaunza BY PROXY TO Marta-Ann Schnabel  
PRESENT Glenn B. Adams  
PRESENT Francis J. Barry, Jr.  
PRESENT Ashley L. Belleau  
PRESENT Jack C. Benjamin, Jr.  
PRESENT Joseph M. Bruno BY PROXY TO Kimberly Silas  
PRESENT Thomas A. Casey, Jr. BY PROXY TO Laura Ashley  
PRESENT Lawrence J. Centola, III  
PRESENT Justin M. Chopin  
PRESENT Richard B. Eason, II BY PROXY TO Jacqueline Epstein  
PRESENT William R. Forrester, Jr.  
PRESENT Darryl J. Foster  
PRESENT Judith A. Gainsburgh  
PRESENT James C. Gulotta, Jr.  
PRESENT Philip K. Jones, Jr. BY PROXY TO Michael S. Williams  
PRESENT Mark D. Latham BY PROXY TO David W. Leefe  
PRESENT Andrew R. Lee  
PRESENT Ryan M. McCabe BY PROXY TO Micah Fincher  
PRESENT André J. Mouledoux BY PROXY TO Patrick A. Talley  
PRESENT John H. Musser V  
PRESENT H. Minor Pipes, III  
PRESENT Brian P. Quirk BY PROXY TO Joseph A. Barreca  
PRESENT Christopher K. Ralston  
PRESENT Louis Gravois Schott  
PRESENT Karen B. Sher  
PRESENT Ronald J. Sholes  
PRESENT John A. Stassi II  
PRESENT Deborah M. Sulzer BY PROXY TO David Stein  
PRESENT Irving J. Warshauer BY PROXY TO Stephanie Skinner  
PRESENT Edward D. Wegmann  
PRESENT Phillip A. Wittmann  
PRESENT Jay C. Zainey, Jr. BY PROXY TO Hon. Jay C. Zainey

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

Adrienne D. White

**SECTION CHAIRS**

Michael P. Arata, Art Entertainment & Sports Law  
Richard J. Arsenault, Insurance, Tort, Worker's Comp & Admiralty Law  
Brian M. Begue, Administrative Law  
Susan J. Burkenstock, Trusts, Estate, Probate & Immovable Property Law  
Ashley Foret Dees, Immigration Law  
Ariel K. DiGiulio, Animal Law  
PRESENT Val P. Exnicios, Class Action, Mass Torts & Complex Litigation  
PRESENT Steven J. Farber, Government & Public Law  
Julia M. Fitzpatrick, Intellectual Property  
PRESENT Kathryn S. Friel, Taxation BY PROXY TO Cherish van Mullem

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Randy Fuerst, Family Law  
PRESENT Maureen B. Gershaink, Corporate & Business Law BY PROXY TO Leon  
Reymond III  
Demarcus Gordon, Minority Involvement  
Leo C. Hamilton, Bill of Rights  
Edward T. Hayes, International Law  
Leland G. Horton, Mineral Law  
PRESENT Abid Husain, Solo & Small Firm  
Louis C. LaCour, Appellate  
PRESENT Lynn Luker, Civil Law & Litigation  
Tristan E. Manthey, Bankruptcy Law  
PRESENT Kevin Mason, Labor & Employment Law  
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Jacob S. Simpson, Health Law  
Emmett C. Sole, Alternative Dispute Resolution  
David A. Szwak, Consumer Protection Law  
Corinne J. Van Dalen, Environmental Law  
Michael S. Walsh, Criminal Law  
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