

CONNECTICUT BAR EXAMINING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT  
JULY 12, 2019

The Chair, Hon. Anne C. Dranginis (Ret.), called the public portion of the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. (EDT). Present were Erick I. Diaz, Hon. Nina Elgo, Eric M. Gross, Hon. C. Ian McLachlan (Ret.), Denise Martino Phelan, Timothy Pothin, Robert D. Silva, Alix Simonetti, Matthew Wax-Krell, and Perry Zinn Rowthorn. Present by invitation were: Kathleen B. Harrington, Deputy Director, Attorney Services; Jessica F. Kallipolites, Administrative Director; and Lisa Valko, Program Manager.

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Gross, it was voted unanimously to accept and record, without amendment or correction, the minutes of the public session of the Regular Meeting of April 26, 2019, with the Chair, Mr. Diaz, Ms. Simonetti, and Mr. Zinn Rowthorn abstaining.

The Administrative Director presented the projected versus actual budget for fiscal year 2018-2019.

At 10:19 a.m., member Edward J. Gavin arrived.

Discussion was had regarding the MPRE requirement under Article IV of the CBEC Regulations as it applies to applicants for admission without examination. Upon motion duly made by the Chair, seconded by Justice McLachlan, it was voted unanimously that applicants for admission without examination, who are in good standing and have no disciplinary history, including administrative disciplinary action, do not have to meet the MPRE requirement under Article IV of the CBEC Regulations. Staff will draft regulations for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

The Administrative Director provided a report for the upcoming July 2019 bar examination, which will be held at the CT Convention Center on July 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. There are currently 318 applications pending. There are 22 examinees scheduled to receive nonstandard testing accommodations, which is an increase from last July. Laptop registration closed with 91% of applicants opting to take the examination using a laptop.

The Program Manager presented updated information regarding the number of applicants transferring a UBE score for admission to Connecticut who failed the UBE in the jurisdiction in which it was administered.

At 10:30 a.m., member Martha S. Triplett arrived.

The Administrative Director provided a report of the number of applicants who withdrew, the number of applicants that were deemed withdrawn, and the fee credits that they received from the February 2019 examination. One-third of those applicants reapplied for the July 2019 examination.

The Deputy Director presented a proposed amendment to the Protocol for Requesting, Reviewing and Handling Medical Documentation. The amendment removes the last two sentences from the first paragraph of the protocol. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Zinn Rowthorn, seconded by Ms. Simonetti, it was voted unanimously to approve the proposed amendment.

The Chair discussed a letter that she received from Joan W. Howarth, Dean Emerita, Michigan State College of Law, and Judith Welch Wegner, Dean Emerita, University of North Carolina School of Law. The letter encourages review and discussion of the ideas in the publication *Ringling Changes: Systems Thinking About Legal Licensing*, 13 FIU L. Rev. 383 (2019). The article reviews professional licensing standards and proposes four changes to attorney licensing. *Ringling Changes* can be found here: <https://scholars.law.unlv.edu/facpub/1211/>

Upon motion duly made by the Chair, seconded by Mr. Wax-Krell, it was voted unanimously to adjourn the public portion of the meeting at 10:50 a.m. (EDT) and to reconvene in the non-public portion of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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MATTHEW WAX-KRELL  
Secretary *Pro Tem*