

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

President Nolan called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. on September 21, 2016 in the Gerald R. and Betty Ford Presidential Ballroom of the Amway Grand Hotel in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Commissioners present:

Danielle Mason Anderson Dennis M. Barnes, Secretary

Robert J. Buchanan, Treasurer

Hon. Clinton Canady III

Syeda F. Davidson

Shauna L. Dunnings

Robert C. Gardella

Jennifer M. Grieco, Vice President

James W. Heath

Fred K. Herrmann

Mark W. Jane

Thomas E. McCarthy Jr.

Hon. Maureen M. McGinnis

Joseph P. McGill Shenique A. Moss

Lawrence P. Nolan, President

Colleen A. Pero

Victoria A. Radke

Hon. Michael J. Riordan

Donald G. Rockwell, President-Elect

Brian D. Shekell

Richard J. Siriani

Gregory L. Ulrich

Dana M. Warnez

Erane C. Washington

Commissioners absent and excused:

Edward L. Haroutunian

Krista L. Haroutunian

Michael S. Hohauser

Jules B. Olsman

Hon. David A. Perkins

Commissioners Richard Cunningham and Andrew Fink were not appointed at the time of the meeting and were not in attendance.

State Bar Staff present:

Janet Welch, Executive Director

Marge Bossenbery, Executive Coordinator

Gregory Convers, Director, Diversity

Candace Crowley, Assistant Executive Director and Director, External Development

Peter Cunningham, Assistant Executive Director and Director, Governmental Relations

Darin Day, Director, Outreach and Constituent Development

Cliff Flood, General Counsel

Danon Goodrum-Garland, Director, Professional Services Division

Kathryn Hennessey, Public Policy Counsel

James Horsch, Director, Finance and Administration Division

Nkrumah Johnson-Wynn, Assistant General Counsel

Robert Mathis, Pro Bono Service Counsel

Samantha Meinke, Communication Manager

Jeanette Socia, Human Resources Manager

Alecia Ruswinckel Assistant Counsel, Professional Standards Division

Anne Vrooman, Director, Research and Development

Guests

Lynn Chard, Director, Institute for Continuing Legal Education

Jeff Kirkey, Institute for Continuing Education

Thomas C. Rombach, Former President, State Bar of Michigan

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# President's Report

#### Welcome

Mr. Nolan welcomed the members of the 2016 – 2017 SBM Board of Commissioners, introduced the newly elected members of the Board, and administered the oath of office to the Commissioners.

# Appointment of the Executive Committee

A motion was offered and supported for Mr. Nolan to appoint an Executive Committee. The motion was approved.

# Appointment of the Commissioner Committees

A list of Mr. Nolan's appointments to the Commissioner Committees was distributed.

## Signature Authorizations

A motion was offered and supported to allow all officers of the State Bar of Michigan and all Lansing-based Commissioners authority to provide a second signature for checks that are written for amounts greater than \$15,000. The motion was approved.

# **Pictorial Directory Information**

The Board members were asked to complete the pictorial directory information form and return it to Ms. Bossenbery.

# Dates for the 2016-2017 Board and Representative Assembly Meetings

A list of the dates for the 2016-2017 Board and Representative Assembly meetings was distributed.

## Presentation of Photo of 2014-2015 SBM Board of Commissioners

Mr. Nolan presented a framed photo of the 2014 - 2015 Board of Commissioners to former State Bar of Michigan President, Thomas C. Rombach.

# **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.