

CONNECTICUT BAR EXAMINING COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
(PUBLIC SESSION)
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
MAY 7, 2010

The Vice-Chair, Michael J. Whelton of East Hartford, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. (EDT). Present were Richard F. Banbury, Susan Boyan, Kevin C. Connors, Earl F. Dewey II, Mary E. Driscoll, Eric M. Gross, Karen L. Karpie, Honorable John J. Langenbach, Honorable C. Ian McLachlan, Gail E. McTaggart, Sharon Peters, Denise Martino Phelan, Alix Simonetti, and Matthew Wax-Krell. Present by invitation were Howard E. Emond, Jr., Deputy Director, Attorney Services, Kathleen B. Wood, Administrative Director, and Joseph J. DelCiampo, Counsel, Legal Services.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Whelton, seconded by Mr. Wax-Krell, it was voted unanimously to deem those 203 applicants who had obtained a passing score of 264 as having passed the February 2010 Connecticut bar examination. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Whelton, seconded by Ms. Phelan, it was voted unanimously to deem those 102 applicants who had failed to obtain a passing score of 264 as having failed to pass the February 2010 Connecticut bar examination. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Whelton, seconded by Mr. Gross, it was voted unanimously that those 88 applicants who had obtained a passing score on the February 2010 Connecticut bar examination and who had complied with the rules and regulations governing admission to the bar of the State of Connecticut be recommended to the judges of the Superior Court for admission to the bar. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Whelton, seconded by Ms. Phelan, it was voted unanimously that those 102 applicants who had obtained a passing grade of 264 on the February 2010 Connecticut bar examination, but whose applications were incomplete or contained other technical defects, be recommended to the judges of the Superior Court for admission to the bar of the State of Connecticut upon remedying the defects, unless further examination was required pursuant to Article VI of the regulations of the Connecticut Bar Examining Committee. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Whelton, seconded by Ms. Peters, it was voted unanimously that the 13 applicants who had obtained a passing grade on the February 2010 Connecticut bar examination, but whose applications disclosed issues concerning good character or fitness, be reviewed further pursuant to Article VI of the regulations of the Connecticut Bar Examining Committee.

Upon completion of the announcement of the bar examination results as noted by the Committee, Mr. DelCiampo left the meeting. The meeting was recessed from 10:05 a.m. (EDT) to 10:10 a.m. (EDT), at which time Ms. Wood notified the Judicial Branch to post the bar examination results on the Committee's website.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Whelton, seconded by Justice McLachlan, it was voted unanimously to accept and record the minutes of the special meeting of April 9, 2010.

The Treasurer delivered the financial reports for the first, second and third quarters of Fiscal Year 2009-2010. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Whelton, seconded by Ms. Peters, it was voted unanimously to accept and approve the financial reports for the first, second and third quarters of Fiscal Year 2009-2010.

Ms. Wood presented the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Connors, seconded by Ms. Peters, it was voted unanimously to approve the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011.

Ms. Wood delivered reports as to the upcoming July 2010 bar examination, the Rules Committee's response to the Committee's suggested Practice Book amendment to provide for term limits for members, the planned name change of Southern New England School of Law (SNE SL) to University of Massachusetts School of Law – Dartmouth, the final external audit of the Committee's financial affairs, and data regarding non-standard testing accommodations. Upon motion duly made by Ms. Driscoll, seconded by Ms. Peters, it was voted unanimously to revise the Committee's previous approval for the graduates of SNE SL to sit for the CT bar examination to reflect the impending name change from SNE SL to the University of Massachusetts School of Law–Dartmouth. Additionally, the Committee directed Ms. Wood to inquire of SNE SL as to whether there will be any changes to its curriculum and/or admission standards and to keep the Committee apprised of any efforts to seek ABA approval. The Committee also directed Ms. Wood to provide additional information at the next meeting regarding the types of accommodations that have been granted.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Dewey, seconded by Ms. Phelan, it was voted unanimously to adjourn the public portion of the meeting at 10:30 a.m. (EDT) and to reconvene in the non-public portion of the meeting. The administrative staff was invited to remain in attendance at the non-public session of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

IRVING H. PERLMUTTER
Secretary