

CONNECTICUT BAR EXAMINING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT  
MAY 11, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. (EDT) by Michael J. Whelton, Acting Chair in the absence of the Honorable Ann Dranginis (Retired). Present were Richard F. Banbury, Susan Boyan, Earl F. Dewey II, Edward J. Gavin, Eric M. Gross, Karen L. Karpie, Honorable C. Ian McLachlan, Gail E. McTaggart, Irving H. Perlmutter, Robert D. Silva, Alex Simonetti and Matthew Wax-Krell. Present by invitation were: Howard E. Emond, Jr., Deputy Director, Attorney Services; Kathleen B. Harrington, Administrative Director; Jessica F. Kallipolites, Assistant Administrative Director; and Joseph J. DelCiampo, Counsel, Legal Services.

The Acting Chair then announced the results of the February 2012 bar examination. Upon motion duly made by the Acting Chair, seconded by Mr. Gross, it was voted unanimously to deem those 185 applicants who had obtained a passing score of 264 as having passed the February 2012 Connecticut bar examination. Upon motion duly made by the Acting Chair, seconded by Mr. Dewey, it was voted unanimously to deem those 94 applicants who had failed to obtain a passing score of 264 as having failed to pass the February 2012 Connecticut bar examination. Upon motion duly made by the Acting Chair, seconded by Mr. Perlmutter, it was voted unanimously that those 113 applicants who had obtained a passing score on the February 2012 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 the Acting Chair, seconded by Mr. Gross, it was voted unanimously that those 69 applicants who had obtained a passing grade of 264 on the February 2012 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 the Acting Chair, seconded by Mr. Perlmutter, it was voted unanimously that the 3 applicants who had obtained a passing grade on the February 2012 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 motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by the Acting Chair, it was voted unanimously to accept and record, without amendment or correction, the minutes of the public session of the Special Meeting of March 30, 2012. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by the Acting Chair, it was voted unanimously to accept and record, without amendment or correction, the minutes of the non-public session of the Special Meeting of March 30, 2012.

The Administrative Director delivered the Third Quarterly Financial Report (FY 2011-2012). Upon motion duly made by Justice McLachlan, seconded by Ms. Simonetti, it was voted unanimously to accept the report. Additionally, the Administrative Director presented the Proposed Budget for the upcoming fiscal year (2012-2013). Upon motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by Ms. Simonetti, it was voted unanimously to accept and approve the proposed budget.

The Administrative Director thereafter delivered her report. She discussed the implementation of the Multi-State Performance Test and financial issues, including the reduction in the number of graders. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by Mr. Wax-Krell, it was voted unanimously to direct the Administrative Director to proceed with such implementation. Next, the Administrative Director provided an update regarding the July 2012 bar examination. To date, there were 525 applicants. Those applicants who had failed the February 2012 bar examination had three additional weeks to apply for the July 2012 bar examination. As such, the number of applicants was expected to be closer to 600. Finally, the Administrative Director next discussed the potential accreditation of foreign law schools. The Acting Chair designated members Mr. Ury, Ms. Simonetti and Mr. Gavin as a subcommittee to discuss the issue of the accreditation of foreign law schools and to report thereon at the next meeting of the Connecticut Bar Examining Committee.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by Ms. Simonetti, it was voted unanimously to adjourn the public portion of the meeting at 10:35 a.m. (EDT) and to reconvene in the non-public portion of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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IRVING H. PERLMUTTER  
Secretary