

CONNECTICUT BAR EXAMINING COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
JULY 6, 2012

The Chair, Honorable Anne C. Dranginis, (Ret.) called the public portion of the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. (EDT). Present were Richard F. Banbury, Raymond L. Baribeault, Jr., Kevin C. Connors, Edward J. Gavin, Honorable C. Ian McLachlan, Gail E. McTaggart, David A. Moraghan, Irving H. Perlmutter, Alex Simonetti and Michael J. Whelton. Present by invitation were: Kathleen B. Harrington, Administrative Director, and Jessica F. Kallipolites, Assistant Administrative Director.

Upon motion duly made by the Chair, seconded by Mr. Whelton, it was voted unanimously to accept and record, without amendment or correction, the minutes of the public session of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2012. Upon motion duly made by the Chair, seconded by Mr. Whelton, it was voted unanimously to accept and record, without amendment or correction, the minutes of the non-public session of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2012.

The Administrative Director delivered the Foreign Education Evaluation of Terence Filewych in anticipation of his filing an application for admission without examination. The recommendation of Judge Barbara Quinn, on behalf of the former Foreign Education Subcommittee, was that it be approved. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by Justice McLachlan, it was voted unanimously to accept the recommendation and approve Mr. Filewych's petition.

The Administrative Director thereafter delivered her report. She provided an update regarding the July 2012 bar examination and explained that a record number of candidates registered to take the essay portion on laptop – 69%. This was up substantially from the previous exam, which was just above 40%. She also explained recent practice book amendments to the motion rule (educational qualifications), reinstatement rule (payment directly to CBEC), and Authorized House Counsel rule (allowing *pro bono* work). The Administrative Director next presented an inquiry from Yonatan Zamir as to whether work as counsel for a Congressional Committee and for a member of Congress qualified as the practice of law for purposes of the exception provided for in Practice Book § 2-13 (b) (2) (admission without examination). The Committee instructed the Administrative Director to advise Mr. Zamir that a decision will be made at the time he submits his application, that the decision will be based on the information provided by him, that he should provide the prerequisites for the positions and the relevant job descriptions, and that his fee will be refunded if it is determined that such work does not qualify. Finally, the Administrative Director reported on the possibility of licensure of military spouse attorneys. Contact was made with the Military Spouse JD Network and information was requested but not received. No further action will be taken.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by the Chair, 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 public portion of the meeting was reconvened at 10:55 a.m. (EDT) to discuss the most recent publication of The Bar Examiner and the information contained therein regarding the inclusion of Federal Civil Procedure as a testable Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) subject starting in 2016.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by Mr. Connors, it was voted unanimously to adjourn the reconvened portion of the meeting at 10:58 a.m. (EDT).

Respectfully submitted,

IRVING H. PERLMUTTER
Secretary