

**STATE BAR OF GEORGIA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MINUTES
June 21, 2013
Marriott Hilton Head Resort & Spa/Hilton Head Island, SC**

The 247th meeting of the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Georgia was held at the date and location shown above. Robin Frazer Clark, President, presided.

Special Recognition

President Clark recognized the Past Presidents of the State Bar, members of the judiciary and other special guests in attendance, and the retiring members of the Executive Committee and Board of Governors.

Roll Call

Secretary Bob Kauffman circulated the attached roll (Exhibit A) for signature.

Future Meetings Schedule

The Board of Governors received a copy of the Future Meetings Schedule.

Special Recognition

President Clark presented a resolution (Exhibit B) to Jessica Powell who was diagnosed several years ago with Addison's disease, but recently went into Addisonian Crisis. The resolution honors Jessica for the extraordinary courage and strength she has displayed throughout her trials and tribulations and expresses the Bar's best wishes for her recovery in the months ahead, as well as a bright future and lifetime of success and happiness. Jessica is the daughter of Jay Powell, a State Bar member and a State Representative from Georgia House District 171, and Carol B. Powell.

State Bar Employee of the Year Award

Paula Frederick presented the State Bar Employee of the Year Award to Bobbie Kindall, who is a legal secretary in the Office of General Counsel.

Corporate Sponsors

President Clark recognized the Annual Meeting Sponsors: Georgia Lawyers Insurance Program, BPC Financial, Daily Report, ABA Retirement Funds and Thomson Reuters.

Awards

President Clark acknowledged the recipients of the Pro Bono Awards (Dan Bradley, H. Sol Clark, William B. Spann Jr.) and A Business Commitment Pro Bono Award that will be presented at a reception in their honor later in the year. She then presented the following State Bar awards: Thomas O. Marshall Professionalism Award, Commitment to Equality Awards, Local Bar Awards (Award of Merit, Best New Entry, Best Newsletter, Law Day Award of Achievement, Best Website, and President's Cup); and Section Awards (Section of the Year and Awards of Achievement), and the Military Legal Assistance Program Committee Award.

Consent Agenda

President Clark presented the Consent Agenda. There being no objection or request for removal of the item, a motion was made and seconded to approve the following item:

- 1) Minutes of the 246th Meeting of the Board of Governors

The minutes of the Board of Governors meeting held on March 9, 2013, at the Ritz Carlton Lodge at Lake Oconee in Greensboro, Georgia, as presented.

The Board of Governors, by unanimous voice vote, approved the above item on the Consent Agenda.

General Session

President Clark called to order the General Session of the Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Georgia. Pursuant to Article II, Section 4, of the State Bar Bylaws, at least fifty active members were present at the meeting, thereby constituting a quorum.

Bylaw Amendment, Article III, Section 3, Term of Office

Following a report by Bob McCormack, the Board of Governors, by unanimous voice vote, approved recommending to the Supreme Court of Georgia proposed amendments to Article III, Section 3 as follows:

Article III - Section 3. Term of Office

The term of office of the circuit members, nonresident members, and the appointed members of the Board of Governors shall be two years; the word "year" as used here shall mean the period from the adjournment of an annual meeting until the adjournment of the next annual meeting of the members. Each circuit member, nonresident member, and appointed member shall continue to serve (a) until the term for which the member was elected or appointed has expired, and (b) until a successor has been elected or appointed. Notwithstanding the above, the Board may adopt attendance requirements which condition or terminate the term of a Board member for failure to attend Board meetings.

Board of Governors Meeting

President Clark reconvened the Board of Governors Meeting of the State Bar of Georgia.

Memorials

President Clark presented the Memorials report.

Investigative Panel

Larry I. Smith provided an update on the activities of the Investigative Panel and recognized the current and retiring Panel members.

Review Panel

Tony Askew provided an update on the activities of the Review Panel and recognized the current and retiring Panel members.

Formal Advisory Opinion Board

Jim Ellington provided an update on the activities of the Formal Advisory Opinion Board and recognized the current and retiring Board members.

Office of the Governor

The Honorable Nathan Deal, Governor of the State of Georgia, delivered the Office of Governor address.

State of the Supreme Court of Georgia

The Honorable Carol W. Hunstein, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, delivered the State of the Supreme Court of Georgia address. Following that, she presented a resolution from the Supreme

Court of Georgia to the family of the late former Chief Justice, and State Bar Past President, Harold G. Clarke.

State of the Court of Appeals of Georgia

The Honorable John J. Ellington, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia, delivered the State of the Court of Appeals of Georgia address.

State of the U.S. District Court, Southern District

The Honorable Lisa G. Wood, Chief Judge of the United States District Court, Southern District, delivered the State of the United States District Court, Southern District address.

State of the Georgia Law Department

Attorney General Sam Olens delivered the State of the Georgia Law Department.

State of the Georgia Senate Judiciary Committee

Senator Josh McKoon, Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, provided an update on the Committee's activities.

State of the Georgia Senate Special Judiciary Committee

Senator Curt Thompson, Chair of the Senate Special Judiciary Committee, provided an update on the Committee's activities.

State of the Georgia House of Representatives Judiciary Committee

Representative Wendell Willard, Chair of the House Judiciary Committee, provided an update on the Committee's activities.

State of the Georgia House of Representatives Judiciary Non-Civil Committee

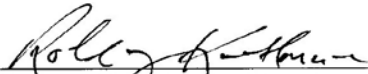
Due to Representative Rich Golick having to leave early, Representative Ed Lindsey provided an update on the Georgia House of Representatives.

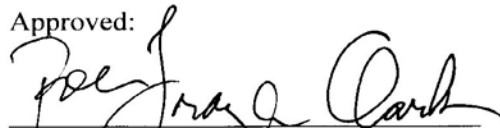
President's Address

Following an introduction by Immediate Past President Ken Shigley, President Clark delivered the President's address.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Robert J. Kauffman, Secretary

Approved:

Robin Frazer Clark, President