

Disciplinary Rules and Procedures Committee
Meeting of January 8, 2021
Via Zoom

MINUTES

Chair Harold Michael Bagley called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Attendance:

Committee members: Harold Michael Bagley, R. Gary Spencer, Erin H. Gerstenzang, John G. Haubenreich, Patrick H. Head, R. Javoyné Hicks, William D. James, Seth D. Kirschenbaum, Edward B. Krugman, David N. Lefkowitz, David S. Lipscomb, Patrick E. Longan, H. Craig Stafford, William Thomas, Jr., and Patrick J. Wheale.

Staff: Paula J. Frederick, William D. NeSmith, III, Andreea Morrison, and Kathya S. Jackson.

Guests: Supreme Court Justice Peterson and Deputy Clerk Tia Milton.

Approval of Minutes:

The Committee approved the Minutes from the October 23, 2020 meeting.

Reports:

William NeSmith provided the Committee with the current status of previously amended rules.

R. Gary Spencer provided the Committee with an update regarding the changes to Rule 3.8. The subcommittee, Sherry Boston, and Charysse Alexander, US Attorney's Office liaison, will continue to work on a draft of the rule. The subcommittee will provide the Committee with a draft at its next meeting.

Action Item:

Possible revision to Part 7 of the GRPC

Erin Gerstenzang provided the Committee with an overview of the revisions drafted by the subcommittee. The Committee agreed to review the revisions and provide the subcommittee with comments. The subcommittee will provide the Committee with an updated draft at its next meeting.

Discussion Item:

ABA Rule 1.8(e)(3)

Paula Frederick provided the revised ABA Rule to the pro bono community for comments. The pro bono community is in favor of the changes. Paula Frederick will provide the Committee with a draft at its next meeting.

The next meeting will be before the Spring BOG meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.