



**COLORADO SUPREME COURT
ATTORNEY REGULATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

MEETING MINUTES
Added Special Meeting
July 13, 2021, 12:05 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. (est.)
Conducted via Zoom

Members present: Chair David W. Stark, Cynthia Covell, Steve Jacobson, Barbara Miller, Henry (Dick) Reeve, Alexander (Alec) Rothrock, Sunita Sharma, Daniel Vigil, Brian Zall

Members absent: Nancy Cohen, Hon. Andrew McCallin, Alison Zinn

Liaison Justices present: Justice Monica Márquez

Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge: Presiding Disciplinary Judge William Lucero

Staff present: Jessica Yates, Attorney Regulation Counsel; Margaret Funk, Chief Deputy Regulation Counsel; Ryann Peyton, Executive Director, Colorado Attorney Mentoring Program (CAMP); Sarah Myers, Executive Director, Colorado Lawyer Assistance Program (COLAP)

1. Resignation of Dan Vigil from the Advisory Committee

The Chair announced that September's meeting will be Mr. Vigil's last meeting after many years of service to the committee and other Supreme Court committees and subcommittees. The Chair thanked Mr. Vigil for his service, wisdom, and guidance to the committee through the years. Other members commended Mr. Vigil for his dedication and service to the committee.

2. Discussion of the Paraprofessionals and Legal Services Plan

Ms. Yates summarized the Colorado Supreme Court's Order approving the Paraprofessionals and Legal Services (PALS) subcommittee plan recommended by the committee at its May 2021 meeting. The Order requested the PALS subcommittee develop an implementation plan. Ms. Yates provided an overview of four working groups that would be created to draft a thorough implementation plan: (1) a qualifications and licensure working group, (2) a rules working group, (3) a systems working group, and (4) a communication and outreach working group. Ms. Yates noted that PALS subcommittee co-chairs Hon. Angie Arkin (Ret.) and Maha Kamal met with other PALS members to confirm this proposed structure for developing an implementation plan. Mr. Yates asked the committee to approve the creation of the four working groups. Mr. Reeve moved to approve the creation of the working groups. Ms. Miller seconded. The motion carried without opposition.

A member asked whether there were opportunities for stakeholder involvement. The Chair explained there was, both at the working group level and through outreach efforts currently underway. Another member asked if the PALS subcommittee requested members of the committee join one or more working groups. Ms. Yates said she would be delighted to have members be involved.

3. Discussion of In-Person Meetings

Members discussed a potential return to in-person committee meetings. Several members expressed the desire to continue to have a virtual meeting option for the foreseeable future due to pandemic uncertainties. They also pointed out that a virtual option makes it easier to participate, particularly for those living outside the Denver area.

The committee also discussed whether to have the traditional volunteer “thank you” gathering in December for members of the various committees that assist in attorney regulation. This event did not occur in December 2020, given the pandemic. One member suggested postponing it until the spring, and several other agreed with this suggestion. Ms. Yates said she would work with Mr. Stark to propose 2022 meeting dates as well as a celebration date in spring 2022.

4. Remaining 2021 Meeting Dates

- September 17, 2021
- December 10, 2021

5. Executive Session

The committee then met in Executive Session to consider a confidential matter per the Colorado Supreme Court rules.

/s/ Jessica E. Yates _____
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