# WEST VIRGINIA BAR FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING ZOOM DECEMBER 28, 2022-12:00 PM

#### **MINUTES**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting of the West Virginia Bar Foundation's Board of Directors was called to order by President Lucien Lewin, at 12:00 PM.

Board Members participating were President Lucien Lewin, Vice President Teresa Dumire, Secretary/Treasurer Judge Patrick Flatley, Judge Jack Alsop, Ann Haight, Teresa McCune, David Morrison, Judge Joyce Morton, Barry Taylor, John Taylor, and Tom Tinder. Executive Director Tessa White was also present.

## **REVIEW OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

The first item on the agenda was a review of the Minutes of the previous Board of Directors meeting, which had been held on December 1, 2022. Corrections to the Minutes were made to include the names of the nominated Foundation Fellows. A motion was duly made, seconded, and passed that the Minutes be approved with the noted corrections.

### PROPOSED LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

The WV Bar Foundation has been presented with a \$500,000 anonymous donation, subject to certain terms and conditions. President Lucien Lewin presented a proposed Letter of Understanding between the WV Bar Foundation and the Anonymous Donor. There was an additional recommendation that the annual scholarship awarded to a WVU College of Law student be named the "Justice Larry V. Starcher Public Service Scholarship". There was considerable discussion about the Anonymous Donor, the terms and conditions, and the confidentiality requirement.

A motion was duly made and seconded that the WV Bar Foundation enter into the proposed Letter of Understanding with the Anonymous Donor and rename the scholarship. After further discussion, the motion was amended to modify the "Letter of Understanding" to "Confidential Letter of Understanding", and that the signed document be sealed and only opened by the WVBF Board of Directors and/or WVBF Executive Director. All were in favor of the amended motion.

A motion was duly made, seconded, and passed that President Lewin, on behalf of the WV Bar Foundation, send the Anonymous Donor a written thank you letter.

# **NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS**

President Lewin reminded the Board Members that the remaining schedule for the Board of Directors Meetings for the 2022-2023 fiscal year is as follows:

- 1. March 2, 2023-12:00 Noon-Virtual
- 2. June 1, 2023-12:00 Noon-Virtual

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned.