

**Federal Litigation Section Teleconference Meeting
May 10, 2017**

1. John McCarthy called the meeting to order.
2. *Roll Call.* John McCarthy; Susan Pitchford; Nicole Newlon; Rob Kohn; Aaron Bulloff; Jeffrey Cox; Maria Conticelli; James Kelly; Hon. Suzanne Segal.
3. *Minutes.* Two typographical errors were noted: (a) the word “Membership” in paragraph 4 and (b) correct spelling of Wagstaffe. We did not have a voting quorum, so John will circulate the minutes via email for vote.
4. The Wagstaffe conference revenues were approximately \$1,300.00. The expenses were \$5,000.00 for the two events. We offered free attendance to law students and clerks. There were a number of attendees in Washington DC and New York. In the future, additional conferences are planned for July/August, and then looking to host an event in California/Phoenix in September/October. After that, the event will be held in the Midwest, including Chicago/Cleveland.
5. *Membership Committee.* We have been contacted by several individuals who are interested in joining the Membership Committee.
6. *Newsletter.* The newsletter was published. We should continue to encourage submissions for future editions. Content, photos, and articles for the Fall Edition will need to be to Jeff by August 1, 2017.
7. We submitted an award application to National for the Newsletter.
8. James Kelly reported on the Law Student Division. The Division recently held a program as part of Judge Newman’s community outreach project. There were over 400 students who were part of this education/outreach project in several states. Mr. Kelly reported the event was very successful.
9. A motion was made and seconded to approve the \$300 sponsorship request by the Sacramento Chapter as set forth in the request circulated with the agenda. Chapter Contact Leaders Kelly Pate and Aaron Buloff are supportive of the request.
10. After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to host a Section cocktail reception during Friday evening of the Atlanta Annual Meeting and to contribute \$2,500 to co-sponsor the Thursday evening event at the Atlanta History Center. The section has spent about \$10,000 at prior meetings to host its own reception.
11. After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to hold the next (third) Federal Litigation Conference on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 in Washington DC. The event will be held the day after the Supreme Court admission ceremony sponsored by the

YLD. This year's YLD ceremony has 45 participants. The YLD is happy to have our conference held in conjunction with its Supreme Court ceremony.

12. Maria reported that the awards deadline is June 1, 2017. Maria also reminded the Board to register for the annual meeting, which is September 14 through September 16, 2017 in Atlanta, Georgia. Maria also reported that National has been the target of low level fishing scams via email. If anyone receives such emails, please forward to Maria.
13. Bruce Moyer forwarded a submission received by the Government Relations Committee regarding the *de novo* review and suggesting that *de novo* appellate review should be eliminated. A proposal was made to examine the materials and to schedule programming on the issue.

John McCarthy adjourned the meeting.