



Federal Bar Association

FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION (FBA) – LAW STUDENT DIVISION (LSD)

MARCH MEETING MINUTES

March 28, 2025, 1:00 PM EST

- Zoom & In Person -

Roll Call

Arturo Thompson (Chair) - **Present**

Vice Chair Vacant – Not Available

Caleb Morris (Student Chair) - **Present**

De’Naesha Mitchell (Secretary) - **Present**

Shane Hursh (Treasurer) - **Present**

Jen Tomchak (Immediate Past Chair) - Absent

Brendan Mohan (Immediate Past Student Chair) - **Present**

Zeno Temple (1st Cir.) - **Present**

Mary Johnson (2nd Cir.) - Absent

Pacika Guerra (2nd Cir.) - **Present**

Charlotte Thompson (3rd Cir.) - Absent

Emily Norris (4th Cir.) - **Present**

Trevor Reynolds (4th Cir.) - Absent

Patricia (Pati) Limon deRodriguez (5th Cir.) - **Present**

Rachel Williamson Brecker (6th Cir.) - **Present**

Derrick Foster Ransom (6th Cir.) - **Present**

Malcolm Deisz (7th Cir.) - Absent

Patience McHenry (8th Cir.) - **Present**

Taylor Brown (8th Cir.) - Absent

Elle Peterson (9th Cir.) - Absent

Andrew Fender (10th Cir.) - Absent

Maddie Bacon (10th Cir.) - **Present**

Kijana Mitchell (11th Cir.) - **Present**

Anthony Phan (DC Cir.) - **Present**

Makena Rauch (DC Cir.) - **Present**

Christina Hough (At Large/ Ex Officio Student Member) - Absent

Kevin Maxim (At Large/ Ex Officio Professional Member) - **Present**

Anna Howard (At Large/ Ex Officio Professional Member) - Absent

Dina Miller (At Large/ Ex Officio Professional Member) - Absent

Hon. Beth Bloom (At Large/ Ex Officio Professional Member) - Absent

Hon. Robin Feder (At Large/ Ex Officio Professional Member) - Absent

Daniel Hamilton (Staff Liaison) - **Present**

MARCH MEETING
Welcome

Opening Remarks:

Arturo Thompson (Chair)

Did an icebreaker with the in-person members and law students as part of the meeting... We will be implementing line items in the LSD budget to have board members and law student members come to conferences and summits.

For the board members interested in annual in September

Treasury Report:

Daniel Hamilton (Staff Liaison)

- No report at this time.

Committee Reports:

Publications/ Publicity Committee Report

Patricia (Pati) Limon deRodriguez (5th Cir.)

- Wanted to remind everyone to get connected with the law student division page.

Judicial Intern Academy Committee Report

Caleb Morris (Student Chair)

- The deadline for the summer program is today, March 28, 2025, for JIA.
- Received the final program with Judge Bloom earlier this week.

Programming Committee Report

Kijana Mitchell (11th Cir.)

- Bar Prep Webinar was a great success and gave great tips for passing and studying for the bar.
- Earlier in march had a Speed Networking Event that went exceptionally well.
- Neurodivergent CLE was earlier this week and the recording will be available on the LSD.

Leadership Planning Committee Report- None at this time

Law Student Engagement Committee Report - None at this time

Membership Committee Report - None at this time

Law School to Practice Committee Report- None at this time

Liaison Updates

Miscellaneous:

Caleb Morris (Student Chair)

- Proposed creating a casual virtual student gathering with all the circuit representatives to enhance collaboration and camaraderie.
 - Proposed an icebreaker in the February or March meeting

Jen Tomchak (Immediate Past Chair)

- Currently working on a Bar Study webinar that will be in February.

- MEETING ADJOURNED-

If you see them at the Summit, please thank:

John Hathan

Dina Miller

Judge Newman

Glen McMurray