



Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Location: State Courts Building

Conference Room 106/ZOOM
 1501 West Washington Street
 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

ALTERNATIVE BUSINESS STRUCTURES COMMITTEE

Zoom Meeting Video Recording: [February 11, 2025 Committee Meeting](#)

For any item listed on the agenda, the Board may vote to go into Executive Session for advice of counsel (under ACJA Sec. 1-202(C)(5)(c)) or for discussion or consideration of records or matters made confidential or privileged by statute, court rule, or the Arizona Code of Judicial Administration (under ACJA Sec. 1-202(C)(5)(b))

Note: Vote counts reflect ayes-nays-not voting-recused

Member Attendance	In Person	Zoom	Absent
Hon. Anni Hill Foster (Chair)	X		
Steve German		X	
John Hay	X		
Andy Kvesic	X		
Lynda Shely	X		
Martin Shultz			X
Mike Widener	X		
Tracy Ward		X	
Patrick Barnes	X		

Staff	Guest	Guest	Guest	Guest
Aaron Nash	Ali Razavi	Jeremy Poock Esq.	Scott Griffiths	Steve Adams
Marquita Brazil	Allen Rodriguez	Mariana Honeyford	Scott Hardy	Sean Enos
Ryan Lincoln	Brian Durocher	Mark Rinehart	Zach Levy	Yida Zhang
Daisy Cambron-Perez	Carson Brienza	Mark Sullivan	Carl Engstrand	Brad Denton
	Chris Hoffman	Michael Choen	Laura Ruhl	Helen Russel
	Dan Fudge	Mollie Wander	Victoria Chen	Neil Peretz
	Eboni Rodgers	Don Bivens	Jack Rives	Luke Dyers
	Gabriela Garcia	Ashleigh Downsell	Richard Traulsen	Helen Tokar
	Garrett Ordower	Robin Newsman	Stephanie Long	Nenshyan
	Jeremy Hirshberg	Patricia Sallen	Holly Edwards	Brent Wisner
Unknown	Jessica Bednarz	Paul P. Burghardt	Michael D.Mori	Randall Stone
SBS	Jubin Dana	Rachel Rose Grace- Dean	Annette O'Hara	Andy Halaby
SRG	Katie Giel	Reid Potter	Simon Morrison	
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1) **Call To Order**.....*Hon. Anni Hill Foster (Chair)*

2) **Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes**..... **Hon. Anni Hill Foster (Chair)**

2-A: *Review, discussion, and possible action regarding approval of changes to the regular session minutes of the meeting of January 14, 2025*

Motion Proposals: First: Andy Kvesic
Second: Lynda Shely
Pass/Fail: Pass 7-0-2-0

3) **Initial License Applications****Division Staff**

- 3-A: *Review, discussion, and possible action regarding application for initial licensure as an alternative business structure for the following applicants with the following conditions:*
- i. *ABSs compliance lawyer shall conduct semi-annual audits to review the firm’s compliance with Arizona Supreme Court Rule 33.1, ACJA § 7-209, and its internal policies and procedures and at the completion of each audit prepare and retain a written report of the findings.*
 - ii. *Pursuant to Rule 33.1, upon the Committee’s determination of whether to recommend licensure, the application and the Committee’s determination shall be forwarded to the Supreme Court for review and further action.*

Access meeting recording linked above for more information.
Steve German entered at 9:04 A.M. and was counted for voting.

1. Shine Lawyers US, LLC

.....**Ryan Lincoln**

Motion to accept the Division’s recommendation for licensure approval: First: Andy Kvesic
Second: Mike Widener
Recused: Lynda Shely
Pass/Fail: Pass 7-0-1-1

2. Delta Legal Services

..... **Ryan Lincoln**

Motion to accept the Division’s recommendation for licensure approval: First: John Hay
Second: Lynda Shely
Pass/Fail: Pass 8-0-1-0

3. Corporate Immigration Attorneys, LLC

..... **Ryan Lincoln**

Motion to accept the Division's recommendation for licensure approval: First: John Hay
Second: Patrick Barnes
Pass/Fail: Pass 8-0-1-0

4. Eleos Law, LLP

..... **Ryan Lincoln**
Motion to accept the Division's recommendation for licensure approval: First: Mike Widener
Second: Lynda Shely
Pass/Fail: Pass 8-0-1-0

5. Inmigracion Al Dia AZ, PLLC

..... **Ryan Lincoln**
Motion to defer to next meeting for more information and to hear from owner Carlos Felipe Olave: First: Andy Kvesic
Second: Lynda Shely
Pass/Fail: Pass 8-0-1-0

6. McCarthy Family Law, PLLC

..... **Ryan Lincoln**
Motion to accept the Division's recommendation for licensure approval: First: Mike Widener
Second: Andy Kvesic
Lynda Shely
Recused:
Pass/Fail: Pass 7-0-1-1

7. San Novus Trademark, LLP

..... **Ryan Lincoln**
Motion to accept the Division's recommendation for licensure approval: First: John Hay

Pass/Fail: Pass Second: Lynda Shely
8-0-1-0

8. Freeway Law, PC

..... **Ryan Lincoln**
Motion to accept the Division's recommendation for licensure approval: First: Lynda Shely
Pass/Fail: Pass Second: Andy Kvesic
8-0-1-0

Break at 10:47 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

4) Renewal License ApplicationsDaisy Cambron-Perez

4-A: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding application for renewal licensure as an alternative business structure for the following applicants:

Access meeting recording linked above for more information.

1. Singular Law Group, PLLC Licensure period August 2023 to August 2024 and August 2024 to August 2026

Motion to accept the Division's recommendation for licensure renewal: First: Mike Widener
Pass/Fail: Pass Second: Lynda Shely
8-0-1-0

2. API Law of Arizona, PLLC (Formerly, Hive Legal, PLLC) November 2023 to November 2024 and November 2024 to November 2026

Motion to accept the Division's recommendation for licensure renewal: First: Mike Widener
Pass/Fail: Pass Second: Lynda Shely
8-0-1-0

3. Scout Law Group, LLC Licensure Period April 2024 to April 2025

The Division requested that the renewal be deferred to a later meeting to allow the Division further review, including obtaining information from overseas.

4. LegaFi Law, LLC Licensure period January 2024 to January 2026

Motion to accept the Division’s recommendation for licensure renewal:	First:	Mike Widener
	Second:	Andy Kvesic Lynda Shely
Recused:		
Pass/Fail: Pass	7-0-1-1	

5) Licensee UpdatesMarquita Brazil

Access meeting recording linked above for more information.

5-A: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding application (**Informational**):

1. Scout Law Group, LLC: Addition of William Hughes as an Authorized Person and the removal of Authorized Person Aaron Levy
Time: 11:19.
2. Ethic Alliance Legal Group, LLC- Removal of Scott Williams as the Designated Principal to be replaced by Roey Rosenblith
Time: 11:19.
3. Charter Law Group, LLC- Replacing Ernest C’DeBaca with Justin Carlson as Designated Principal, and Michael Ferring as Compliance Lawyer.
Time: 11:19.

6) Administrative Items Division Staff

Access meeting recording linked above for more information.

6-A: Update on Alternative Business Structures Program

6-B: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding the ABS annual report:

Motion to authorize staff to work with Chair to finalize and submit before April 1, 2025, deadline	First:	John Hay
	Second:	Mike Widener
Pass/Fail: Pass	8-0-1-0	

6-C: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding working groups to address regulatory tasks, including:

Audits:

View time stamp 11:27 am, Audit document complete.

Data gathering:

View time stamp 11:28 am, no update at this time

ACJA changes:

See Below 6-D

Application changes:

Motion to approve proposed application changes	First:	John Hay
Pass/Fail: Pass	Second: 8-0-1-0	Lynda Shely

Training for nonlawyers and other applicants:

View time stamp 12:09 pm. Workgroup meeting 2/12/2025.

6-D: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding suggested ACJA changes

(Discussion time stamp in video) 11: 36 am

Topic: Definitions of authorized persons and economic interests. Committee Counsel Lisa Hauser discussed proposal with the members.

Motion to refer to workgroup for more study and recommendations.	First: Judge Anni Hill Foster
Pass/Fail: Pass	Second: Lynda Shely 8-0-1-0

Topic: Clarifying ACJA language regarding mergers and acquisitions.

Motion to clarify that the committee's intent was to make a conforming change to (G)(2)(g) in alignment with the modifications made to the merger and acquisition fees.

First: John Hay

Second: Lynda Shely
8-0-1-0

Pass/Fail: Pass

6-E: Division Updates

View time stamp 12:10 pm

7) Call to the Public.....Hon. Anni Hill-Foster (Chair)

No comments were made.

Adjournment..... Hon. Anni Hill Foster (Chair)

Next ABS Committee Meeting Scheduled for April 8th , 2025

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 P.M.