# **Supreme Court Board of Certified Reporters**

Arizona State Courts Building 1501 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 Conference Room CLD-1

> January 8, 2008 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

# **Telephonic Approved Regular Meeting Minutes**

## MEMBER ATTENDANCE

Present: Telephonically Present: Absent:

Judge Lawrence Winthrop Sandra Markham, Chair Allen Sonntag

Tyrrell Taber Judge Robert Carter Olson

Kathleen Montalvo

Terri Faust Jean Lea Patricia Seguin

## **OTHER ATTENDEES**

AOC Staff: Guests: Kandace French None

Nancy Swetnam Kimberly Siddall Doris Leonard Linda Grau

Rhonda Simmons

#### CALL TO ORDER

Called to Order By: Jean Lea, Acting Chair

*Time*: 12:20 p.m.

## 1) REVIEW OF CERTIFICATION APPLICATIONS

1-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending applications for Initial Standard Certification

Individuals Addressing the Board: Kimberly Siddall

**Discussion:** Applications for Donna Dobson and Shelley Plate remain

incomplete pending receipt of fingerprint information. Staff recommended the applications be deferred to the meeting on

February 12, 2008.

**Motion:** Defer pending applications of Ms. Dobson and Ms. Plate to the

meeting on February 12, 2008.

Motion Proposals: First Ty Taber

Second Judge Winthrop

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-001

1-B: Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending applications for renewal of certification.

Individuals Addressing the Board: Kimberly Siddall

Discussion: The following certificate holders have submitted completed

applications for renewal certification. Staff recommended Board

grant renewal certification.

Barbara Rosado Kristy Ceton

Pamela Banas-Cook

Wanda Curry Laurel Dunn

Janell Rose Tamara Howard Dorothy Ramirez

Michelle Buckhannon

Steven Garwood Jo Ann Kramer

Jean Lea

**Motion:** Grant renewal certification to the following certificate holders.

Barbara Rosado Kristy Ceton

Pamela Banas-Cook

Wanda Curry
Laurel Dunn
Janell Rose
Tamara Howard
Dorothy Ramirez
Michelle Buckhannon
Steven Garwood
Jo Ann Kramer
Jean Lea

Motion Proposals: First Judge Winthrop

Second Terri Faust

Recusals Jean Lea on Jean Lea

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-002

**Discussion:** Bernadette Chari submitted an application for renewal certification

but failed to disclose a civil action on the application. Staff recommended the Board grant renewal certification and direct staff send Ms. Chari a letter which includes language that non-disclosure on future applications may result in denial or disciplinary action.

**Motion:** Grant renewal certification Bernadette Chari and direct staff to send

Ms. Chari a letter which includes language that non-disclosure on

future applications may result in denial or disciplinary action.

Motion Proposals: First Judge Winthrop

Second Terri Faust

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-003

**Discussion:** Kathleen Gilmore submitted an application for renewal certification

and requested a 90-day extension to complete the continuing education requirement. Staff recommended Board make a determination if it will accept this request and if extenuating

circumstances exist.

**Motion:** Grant renewal certification for Kathleen Gilmore and grant the 90-

day extension of continuing education.

Motion Proposals: First Judge Winthrop

Second Ty Taber

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-004

**Discussion:** The following certificate holders have submitted applications for

renewal. Applications are complete. Staff recommended renewal

certification be granted.

Laura Ashbrook Deborah Hanlon Terry Masciola Donald Moll Jennifer Smith Marla Suerth

**Motion:** Grant renewal certification for the following certificate holders.

Laura Ashbrook Deborah Hanlon Terry Masciola Donald Moll Jennifer Smith Marla Suerth

Motion Proposals: First Ty Taber

Second Judge Winthrop

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-005

Discussion: The following certificate holders have submitted incomplete

applications for renewal certification. Staff recommended action on these applications be deferred to the meeting on February 12, 2008.

Patricia Bischoff-McCarthy

Amy Bowler Michael Haley Patricia Moore Maria Vazquez

**Motion:** Motion to defer renewal certification of the following certificate

holders until the meeting on February 12, 2008.

Patricia Bischoff-McCarthy

Amy Bowler Michael Haley Patricia Moore Maria Vazquez Motion Proposals: First Judge Winthrop

Second Ty Taber

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-006

Patricia Seguin joined the meeting telephonically at 12:34 p.m.

#### 2) CERTIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY

2-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding the following temporary certificate holder:

Sandra R. Brice

Individuals Addressing the Board: Kandace French

**Discussion:** After discussion regarding correspondence received from Kip

Anderson, Court Administrator for the Superior Court of Arizona, County of Mohave, staff was directed to invite Mr. Anderson to appear telephonically at the February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss discrepancies in his letter received by staff from prior discussions

and invite Ms. Brice to appear in her defense.

Motion: Invite Kip Anderson to appear telephonically and Ms. Brice to

appear at meeting on February 12' 2008 for further explanations of hiring freeze in Mohave County and implications it would have on

Ms. Brice's certification status.

Motion Proposals: First Judge Winthrop

Second Ty Taber

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-007

2-B: Review, discussion and possible action regarding the letter from Rhonda Harris regarding certification renewal, fees and continuing education requirements.

**Individuals Addressing the Board:** Kimberly Siddall

**Discussion:** Staff recommended the Board deny Ms. Harris' request to waive

application fees pursuant to ACJA § 7-201(E)(1)(b) and recommended the Board allow Ms. Harris to complete the 5 hours

of required continuing education by February 8, 2008.

Motion: Deny Ms. Harris' request to waive application fees pursuant to

ACJA § 7-201(E)(1)(b) and allow Ms. Harris to complete the 5

hours of required continuing education by February 8, 2008.

Motion Proposals: First Ty Taber

Second Patricia Seguin

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-008

Sandra Markham joined the meeting telephonically at 12:40 p.m.

Patricia Seguin left the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

## 2-C: Review of pending request for continuing education credit approval.

*Individuals Addressing the Board:* Kandace French

**Discussion:** Request for approval of 4 hours of continuing education of the

community college course "Spanish 101". ACJA § 7-206(L)(4)(a) doesn't specifically address the subject area of foreign language but ACJA § 7-206(L)(4)(c) states a certified reporter may receive continuing education credit if the course is relevant to the reporting profession and may receive credit up to two times the number of credit hours awarded by the educational institution. The maximum total hours of CE credits earned from educational course work shall not exceed 50% of the total number of CE hours required for renewal. Staff recommended the Board find Spanish language courses are relevant to the court reporting profession and grant 5 hours of CE credit for this court upon successful completion of the

class.

*Motion:* Grant Spanish language courses on an hour-for-hour credit.

Motion Proposals: First Judge Winthrop

Second Sandra Markham

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-009

CALL TO THE PUBLIC.....None

ADJOURNMENT Jean Lea, Acting Chair

*Motion:* Meeting is adjourned

Motion Proposals: First Sandra Markham

Second Ty Taber

Motion Results: Pass BCCR 08-010