

Florida Bar Board of Governors  
April 29, 2021  
By Videoconference

**1. Roll Call**

Dori Foster-Morales, President  
Michael G. Tanner, President-Elect  
Jeremy C. Branning, 1st Circuit  
Lawrence E. Sellers, Jr., 2nd Circuit  
Michael Fox Orr, 4th Circuit  
W. Braxton Gillam, IV, 4th Circuit  
Renée E. Thompson, 5th Circuit  
Joshua T. Chilson, 6th Circuit  
Sandra Fascell Diamond, 6th Circuit  
Philip J. Bonamo, 7th Circuit  
Stephanie M. Marchman, 8th Circuit  
Julia L. Frey, 9th Circuit  
Tad A. Yates, 9th Circuit  
C. Richard Nail, 10th Circuit  
Roland Sanchez-Medina, Jr., 11th Circuit  
Nikki L. Simon, 11th Circuit  
Jordan A. Dresnick, 11th Circuit  
Jorge L. Piedra, 11th Circuit  
Jeffrey Rynor, 11th Circuit  
Steven W. Davis, 11th Circuit  
Alice Sum, 11th Circuit  
F. Scott Westheimer, 12th Circuit  
Amy S. Farrior, 13th Circuit  
Paige A. Greenlee, 13th Circuit  
Clifford C. Higby, 14th Circuit  
R. Sia Baker-Barnes, 15th Circuit  
Ronald P. Ponzoli, Jr., 15th Circuit  
Robin I. Bresky, 15th Circuit  
Gary S. Lesser, 15th Circuit  
Wayne LaRue Smith, 16th Circuit  
Jay Kim, 17th Circuit  
Lorna E. Brown-Burton, 17th Circuit  
Hilary Creary, 17th Circuit  
Gregory S. Weiss, 19th Circuit  
John D. Agnew, 20th Circuit

E. Duffy Myrtetus, Out of State  
Ian M. Comisky, Out of State  
Eric L. Meeks, Out of State  
Brian D. Burgoon, Out of State  
Adam White, YLD President  
Todd L. Baker, YLD President-Elect  
Joseph “Jody” D. Hudgins, Public Member  
Linda Goldstein, Public Member

**Members Absent**

Melissa VanSickle, 2nd Circuit  
Kris B. Robinson, 3rd Circuit  
Thomas P. Wert, 9th Circuit  
Kenneth G. Turkel, 13th Circuit  
J. Carter Andersen, 13th Circuit  
Diana Santa Maria, 17th Circuit  
Adam G. Rabinowitz, 17th Circuit  
James G. Vickaryous, 18th Circuit  
Laird A. Lile, 20th Circuit

**2. Staff in Attendance**

Joshua Doyle, Executive Director  
Allison Sackett, Director, Legal Division  
Gypsy Bailey, General Counsel and Director, Division of Ethics & Consumer Protection  
Terry Hill, Director, Program Division  
Cynthia Jackson, CFO & Director, Administrative Division  
Rick Courtemanche, Deputy General Counsel  
Elizabeth Clark Tarbert, Ethics Counsel  
Diana Kellogg, Director, Legal Specialization and Education  
Patricia A. Savitz, Staff Counsel  
Francine Walker, Director, Public Information and Bar Services  
Mike Garcia, Director, Research, Planning and Evaluation  
Mikalla Davis, Attorney Liaison, Rules  
Rosalyn Scott, Assistant to the President  
Leslie Reithmiller, Assistant to the President  
Jim Ash, Senior Editor, Florida Bar News

### **3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Board member Robin Bresky delivered the invocation and board member Jay Kim led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **4. Guests**

President Dori Foster-Morales recognized the following guests:

A. Dax Bello, Cuban American Bar Association.

Kimberly E. Hosley, Florida Association for Women Lawyers.

Kevin Nash, Virgil Hawkins Florida Chapter, NBA.

Karen Ladis, Legal Aid Representative.

Vivian Cortes Hodz, Voluntary Bar Representative.

Altanese P. Phenelus, Government Lawyer Representative.

### **5. Special Committee on Judicial Referrals for Discipline Matters Report**

Co-Chair Michael Fox Orr presented.

Items for Final Action: Rule 3-7.18 Disposition of Inquiries or Complaints Referred to the Bar by Members of the Judiciary. The proposed amendment would establish procedures for handling discipline matters referred to the Bar by the judiciary. The proposed amendment was noticed in the March 15, 2021 edition of the *Bar News*. No comments were received. The Rules Committee proposed stylistic changes. The proposed amendment will be filed with the Supreme Court on May 3, 2021. The board voted 40-1 to approve.

### **6. Family Law Rules Committee Report**

Chair Cory Brandfon presented.

Items on Final Action: Pursuant to Rule of Judicial Administration 2.140(b), the committee proposes amendments to Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.530(e) Motions for New Trial and Rehearing; Amendments of Judgments. The proposed amendment adds a sentence specifying that a motion for a rehearing is not required to preserve the trial court's failure to make statutory findings. In addition, a committee note is added for clarity. The proposed amendment was noticed in the September 2020 edition of the *Bar News*. A comment was received from the Family Law Section and the committee unanimously agreed to adopt the proposed language. The board voted 40-0 to recommend acceptance.

### **7. President's Report**

President Dori Foster-Morales reported that the May meeting will convene in person, with an option to attend via remote access.

**8. Time and Place of Next Meeting**

There being no further business before the board, President Dori Foster-Morales adjourned the meeting at 1:21 p.m. The next board meeting will convene in person and virtually May 19-21 at Hawks Cay Resort on Duck Key.

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