

Florida Bar Board of Governors
September 8, 2021
By Videoconference
2:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Michael G. Tanner, President
Gary S. Lesser, President-Elect
Jeremy C. Branning, 1st Circuit
Lawrence E. Sellers, Jr., 2nd Circuit
Melissa VanSickle, 2nd Circuit
Kris B. Robinson, 3rd Circuit
Michael Fox Orr, 4th Circuit
W. Braxton Gillam IV, 4th Circuit
Gordon J. Glover, 5th Circuit
Joshua T. Chilson, 6th Circuit
Sandra Fascell Diamond, 6th Circuit
Philip J. Bonamo, 7th Circuit
Stephanie M. Marchman, 8th Circuit
Thomas P. Wert, 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
Judge Leslie B. Rothenberg (Ret.), 11th Circuit
Alice Sum, 11th Circuit
F. Scott Westheimer, 12th Circuit
Amy S. Farrior, 13th Circuit
J. Carter Andersen, 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
Michael J. Gelfand, 15th Circuit
Wayne LaRue Smith, 16th Circuit
Jay Kim, 17th Circuit
Diana Santa Maria, 17th Circuit
Lorna E. Brown-Burton, 17th Circuit
Hilary Creary, 17th Circuit
Adam G. Rabinowitz, 17th Circuit
James G. Vickaryous, 18th Circuit
Laird A. Lile, 20th Circuit

John D. Agnew, 20th Circuit
E. Duffy Myrtetus, Out of State
Donald A. Workman, Out of State
Eric L. Meeks, Out of State
Brian D. Burgoon, Out of State
Todd L. Baker, YLD President
Iris A. Elijah, YLD President-Elect
Joseph “Jody” D. Hudgins, Public Member
Linda Goldstein, Public Member

Members Absent

Julia Frey, 9th Circuit
Kenneth G. Turkel, 13th Circuit
Gregory Weiss, 19th Circuit

2. Staff in Attendance

Joshua Doyle, Executive Director
Gypsy Bailey, General Counsel
Elizabeth Clark Tarbert, Ethics Counsel
Cynthia Jackson, CFO & Director
Patricia A. Savitz, Staff Counsel
Terry Hill, Director, Program Division
Mike Garcia, Director, Research, Planning and Evaluation
Jennifer Krell Davis, Director, Public Information and Bar Services
Leslie Reithmiller, Assistant to the President
Gary Blankenship, Senior Editor, Florida Bar News

3. Guests

President Tanner recognized the following guests:
Michael Davis, President, Virgil Hawkins Florida Chapter, National Bar Association
Karen Ladis, Legal Aid Representative
Miriam Ramos, President-Elect, Cuban American Bar Association
Jenny Scavino Sieg, President, Florida Association for Women Lawyers
Andrew Sasso, Parliamentarian

4. Report of the Special Committee to Improve the Delivery of Legal Services

President Tanner reported that the board at this meeting and a second special meeting on October 26 will discuss the six recommendations, taking the proposals one at a time, from the special committee report. The meetings will have members ask questions of special committee Chair John Stewart, but members will not discuss or vote on any of the recommendations. That will happen at a subsequent meeting to be held in November. The board covered the first two recommendations at this meeting.

5. Time and Place of Next Meeting

President Tanner adjourned the meeting at 4:02 p.m. The board will meet again in a special online meeting on October 26 to continue asking questions about the special committee’s report.