

Board Committee on Operations

Referral List
July 19, 2012

Category I - Change in Date Only

July # 1

MCLE - Recommendation re Members in Non-compliance with MCLE Audit

This item requests the Board's permission to place those members who fail to comply with the MCLE Audit on Administrative Inactive status. This item has already been identified as a new reoccurring item on the MOC agenda. However, going forward we will be advancing our MCLE Audit cycle to commence mid-year instead of at the end of the year. Therefore, the annual recommendation should go to the Board every November, beginning November 2012.

Responsible Staff: Dina DiLoreto

Recommendation: MOC - ~~February~~ **November** BOT - ~~February~~ **November**

July # 2

Request to Survey CYLA Members

CYLA would like to withdraw their request to survey a subset of their members. They have decided to collect information about issues facing new lawyers by contacting local bar associations and individual CYLA members.

Responsible Staff: Pam Wilson

Recommendation: MOC – ~~July~~ **REMOVE** BOT – NA

July # 3

Judicial Summit: Report and Recommendations

The Judicial Council and the State Bar of California co-sponsored the 2011 Judicial Summit, is a five-year follow-up to the first joint Judicial Summit held in 2006. The 2011 Summit was designed to assess progress made toward achieving the goal of having a judiciary that reflects the diversity of California's population. The 2011 Summit Report and Recommendations will be presented along with an action plan for ongoing implementation.

Responsible Staff: Patricia Lee

Recommendation: Stakeholders - ~~May~~ **July** BOT - NA

July # 4

Status of Discussions with US News & World Report re Law School Rankings

In January 2011 the Board authorized the Council on Access & Fairness to submit comments to USNWR and to engage in follow up dialogue to implement the proposal to include diversity as a factor in the overall law school rankings. The COAF has been conducting outreach to other bar associations and law-related entities to gain support for its recommendations and has engaged in dialogue with editors at US News & World

Report. This will be a report on the collaboration with other entities, dialogue with US News and next steps.

Responsible Staff: Patricia Lee

Recommendation: Stakeholders - ~~July~~ **TBD**

BOT - NA

Category II – Possible Committee Reassignments

None.

Category III – New Matters Requiring Assignment to Appropriate Board Committee

July # 5

Proposed Amendment to *Accredited Law School Rules* re Minimum, Cumulative Bar Pass Rate

The Committee of Bar Examiners requests approval to circulate for public comment and after public comment, final consideration of an amendment to the law school accreditation standards that would establish a minimum, cumulative California Bar Examination pass rate for California-accredited law schools.

Responsible Staff: Gayle Murphy

Recommendation: **RAD – July/Nov**

BOT - November

July # 6

Challenges Facing Young Lawyers

This will be a discussion of the challenges facing young lawyers such as unemployment in the very competitive job market with few available positions, and the difficult economic circumstances they find themselves in while carrying large law school loan debt.

Responsible Staff: Pam Wilson

Recommendation: **Stakeholders – July**

BOT - NA