



The State Bar *of California*

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AGENDA ITEM
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DATE: March 29, 2019

TO: Members, California Board of Legal Specialization

FROM: Amy C. Nuñez, Director, Admissions

SUBJECT: INTERIM ADVISORY COMMISSION OFFICER APPOINTMENTS

SUMMARY

There is one current Vice Chair vacancy on the Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Law Advisory Commission (EPLAC) to the California Board of Legal Specialization (CBLS). Recommendation for immediate appointment is requested for this vacancy only.

BACKGROUND

Traditionally, recommendations to the CBLS to fill vacancies on its advisory commissions are presented on or about May or July each year. Due to the then-pending Appendix I review, which included a discussion of the appropriate size of the various State Bar sub-entities, staff did not present to the CBLS the advisory commission recommendations to fill the expiring terms of its officers and members. As a result, the CBLS approved appointments to officer vacancies at its last meeting.

DISCUSSION

In line with the previous appointment schedule, the EPLAC recommended its officer appointments in April 2018. However, the appointments reviewed by the CBLS in February this year included an incorrect candidate for Vice Chair to the EPLAC. The correct candidate should have been Jerome Spector.

At its last meeting, the EPLAC reconfirmed and recommended appointment of public member Jerome Spector as Vice Chair. Mr. Spector is recommended after serving on the EPLAC since 2012.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the California Board of Legal Specialization approve the following motion:

MOVE, that the appointment of Jerome Spector as Vice Chair to the Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Law Advisory Commission as interim appointment effective immediately until the sunset of the advisory commissions during 2019.