



# The State Bar *of California*

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## **OPEN SESSION AGENDA ITEM III.C. JUNE 2019**

**DATE:** June 10, 2019

**TO:** Members, California Board of Legal Specialization

**FROM:** Amy C. Nuñez, Director, Office of Admissions

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Advisory Commission and Staff Recommendations Regarding Certification and Recertification

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### **SUMMARY**

Staff and the advisory commissions to the California Board of Legal Specialization (CBLS) provide the attached recommendations for certification or recertification of specialists (Attachment A); and also revocation of certification for failure to file recertification applications (Attachment B).

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### **BACKGROUND**

Attachment A lists applicants that are recommended by staff and the advisory commissions for certification as specialists effective July 1, 2019 or recertification effective on the scheduled date.

Attachment B lists certified specialists who were due to recertify on various dates up to May 1, 2019, but have not done so. These specialists did not file applications for recertification and did not request extensions. Program rules require certified specialists to recertify on or before the conclusion of their five-year terms. Reminders are also sent prior to all deadlines.

### **DISCUSSION**

Attachment A contains recommendations for the following specialty areas. The CBLS may approve, request more information, or deny the recommendations.

- Criminal Law
- Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Law

- Family Law
- Immigration & Nationality Law
- Legal Malpractice Law
- Workers' Compensation Law

Attachment B lists certified specialists who were due to recertify on various dates through and including May 1, 2019, but they did not file applications for recertification and did not request extensions. It would be consistent with past practice to revoke the certification of these specialists if they do not respond to a final communication sent by certified mail.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

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

**MOVE**, that the recommendations of staff and the advisory commissions concerning the certification of applicants as certified specialists whose names appear on Attachment A are adopted effective July 1, 2019 for all certifications or the applicants' scheduled recertification dates; and

**FURTHER MOVE**, that those certified specialists listed on Attachment B are revoked for failure to recertify if no response to a final communication is received within thirty days.

## **ATTACHMENT(S) LIST**

- A. Recommendations for Certification through June 1, 2019
- B. List of certified specialists who did not file recertification applications that were otherwise due on or before May 1, 2019