



# The State Bar of California

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## Board Executive Committee Teleconference

Open Session Minutes  
Friday, October 7, 2022  
12:04 p.m.–12:17 p.m.

**Time Meeting Commenced:** The Board Executive Committee meeting commenced in open session at 12:04 p.m.  
**Time Meeting Adjourned:** 12:17 p.m.  
**Chair:** Ruben Duran  
**Committee Coordinator:** Louisa Ayrapetyan  
**Members Present:** Hailyn Chen, José Cisneros, Gregory Knoll, Arnold Sowell Jr., Brandon Stallings  
**Members Absent:** None

## OPEN SESSION

### ROLL CALL

The Board Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Duran. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

### CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Duran called for public comment, inquiring as to whether there were person(s) who wished to comment on any agenda item. The following comments were provided to the committee:

1. Todd Hill

Public comment is regarding his belief that this special meeting was held in violation of Bagley-Keene's meeting notice guidelines. Further stated that justifications for this special meeting were not adequately shared with the public.

*\* In response, General Counsel, Ellin Davtyan, advised the committee that the meeting agenda and the meeting was being held in compliance with the applicable Bagley-Keene requirements.*

## I. BUSINESS

### A. Action on Vote to Convene a Special Meeting (Convened pursuant to Govt. Code, § 11125.4(a)(2))

**Presenter:** Louisa Ayrapetyan, Board Secretary and Principal Program Analyst, Office of the Executive Director

**RESOLVED**, that the Board Executive Committee finds that the October 7, 2022, Special Meeting is convened because immediate action by the State Bar of California is required to protect the public interest.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board Executive Committee adopts the Finding of Necessity for the October 7, 2022, Special Meeting as set forth in Attachment A

*Moved by Knoll, seconded by Stallings*

*Ayes – (6) Chen, Duran, Cisneros, Knoll, Sowell, Stallings*

*Noes – (0)*

*Abstain – (0)*

*Absent – (0)*

*Motion carries.*

**B. Client Trust Account Protection Program: Request for Adoption of Amendment to Proposed New Rule of Court 9.8.5**

**Presenters:** Randall Difuntorum, Program Director, Office of Professional Competence  
Steven Moawad, Special Council, Regulation Division

**RESOLVED**, that the Board Executive Committee adopts proposed amended new Rule of Court 9.8.5 as set forth in Attachment A and directs staff to submit the amended proposed rule to the Supreme Court of California with a recommendation that it be adopted.

*Moved by Stallings, seconded by Chen*

*Ayes – (6) Chen, Duran, Cisneros, Knoll, Sowell, Stallings*

*Noes – (0)*

*Abstain – (0)*

*Absent – (0)*

*Motion carries*

**ADJOURN**