



The State Bar of California

California Board of Legal Specialization Teleconference

Open Session Minutes
Friday, March 10, 2023
10:10 a.m.–11:11 a.m.

Time Meeting Commenced: The California Board of Legal Specialization (CBLS) meeting commenced at 10:10 a.m. The CBLS moved to closed session at 10:56 a.m. The CBLS returned to open session at 11:11 a.m.

Time Meeting Adjourned: 11:11 a.m.

Chair: Natalie Vance

Committee Coordinator: Adrian Galang

Members Present: Norma Acosta, Grace Alano, Jeffrey T. Hammerschmidt, and Jake Yoon

Members Absent: Michael Lee

OPEN SESSION

I. CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Roll Call

The CBLS meeting was called to order by Chair Vance. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

B. Instructions and Call for Public Comment

Chair Vance called for public comment, inquiring as to whether there was any one who wished to comment on any agenda item. There were no members of the public who wished to speak on any agenda item.

C. Update on 2023 CBLS Work Plan Initiatives

Chair Vance provided an oral report.

II. CONSENT

A. Approval of December 16, 2022 California Board of Legal Specialization Public Meeting Minutes

Moved by Hammerschmidt, Seconded by Alano

Ayes – (4) Alano, Hammerschmidt, Vance, Yoon

Noes – (0)

Abstain – (1) Acosta

Absent – (1) Lee

Motion carries.

III. STAFF REPORTS

A. Report on Key Statistical Indicators

Adrian Galang provided an oral report.

B. Recent Developments

Audrey Ching and Adrian Galang provided oral reports.

IV. BUSINESS

A. Review and Discussion of Proposed Changes to Legal Specialist Exam Refund Rules and Policies

Latrell Cabrigas provided an oral report synthesizing and supplementing the written report posted with the agenda.

B. Review and Discussion of Proposed Changes to Legal Specialist Exam Results Rules and Policies

Janese Bodin and Adrian Galang provided oral reports synthesizing and supplementing the written report posted with the agenda.

C. Review and Discussion of Proposed Changes to Legal Specialist Exam Violation Rules and Policies

Adrian Galang provided an oral report synthesizing and supplementing the written report posted with the agenda.

**D. Review and Discussion of Proposed Changes to Legal Specialist Exam Testing
Accommodation Rules and Policies**

This agenda item was withdrawn from the agenda.

Chair Vance announced the end of open session items and the CBLS will move into closed session to discuss those agenda items.

CLOSED SESSION*

I. CONSENT

- A. Approval of December 16, 2022 California Board of Legal Specialization Closed Meeting Minutes**
**Closed pursuant to Business & Professions Code § 6026.7(c)(2).*

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The CBLS returned to open session and reported that there is no action to report from closed session. No further discussion took place in open session.

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