



The State Bar of California

Legal Services Trust Fund Commission (LSTFC) Teleconference

Open Session Minutes
Thursday, July 13, 2023
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Time Meeting Commenced: The LSTFC meeting commenced in open session at 2:01 p.m.

Time Meeting Adjourned: 2:55 p.m.

Chair: Christian Schreiber

Committee Coordinator: Doan Nguyen

Members Present: Banafsheh Akhlaghi, Amin Al-Sarraf, Jeff Ball, Louise Bayles-Fightmaster, Catherine Blakemore, William Boschelli, Venetta Campbell, Erica Connolly, Angie King, Hon. Clifford Klein, James Meeker, Patience Milrod Efrain Escobedo, Jason Galkin, Eric Isken, Hon. Diana Kruze, Joseph Lee, Tammy Mahoney, Maria Morales

Members Absent: Judge Brad Seligman

Advisors Present: Justice Victor Rodriguez, Judge Bryant Yang

Advisors Absent:

Liaisons Present: Laura Brown, Lorin Kline, Melanie Snider

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order

Chair Schreiber called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

3. Business

3.1 Approve Recommendations Regarding Commission Oversight of IOLTA and EAF Funds, Including Developing Guidelines for the Use of a Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) and Other Activities to Strengthen Organizational Health

Chair Schreiber called for public comment, inquiring as to whether there were person(s) who wished to comment on the agenda item. The following members of the public all commented on item 3.1: Jack Londen (the Executive Director of

the California Access to Justice Commission), Amanda Alvarado Ford (the Executive Director of La Raza Centro Legal), Sunny Noh (a Supervising Attorney of Legal Aid of Sonoma County), and William Ryland (a Grants Manager of Justice & Diversity Center of the Bar Association of San Francisco).¹

Chair Schreiber summarized that the vote was to approve a proposal for State Bar staff (staff) to create guidelines for programs to use IOLTA and EAF funds for an LRAP. Chair Schreiber informed the LSTFC that various stakeholders from CalATJ, the LSTFC, staff, and the Council on Access and Fairness have committed to improving communications and working relations.

RESOLVED, the LSTFC will develop LRAP guidelines regarding the use of IOLTA, EAF, and if applicable, any other State Bar-administered funds.

Moved by Al-Sarraf, seconded by King.

Ayes – (7) Al-Sarraf, Boschelli, Connolly, King, Klein, Milrod, Schreiber

Noes – (3) Akhlaghi, Ball, Campbell

Abstain – (2) Blakemore, Meeker

Absent – (1) Escobedo, Galkin, Isken, Kruze, Lee, Mahoney, Morales

Motion carries.

No further discussion took place in open session.

ADJOURN

¹ A recording of these public comments is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7LNh5PmT7XQ>.