



The State Bar of California

Audit Committee Hybrid

Open Session Minutes
Thursday, July 20, 2023
12:50 p.m.–1:29 p.m.

Time Meeting Commenced: The Audit Committee meeting commenced in open session at 12:50 p.m.
Time Meeting Adjourned: 1:29 p.m.
Chair: Melanie Shelby
Committee Coordinator: Justin Ewert
Members Present: Gregory Knoll, Melanie Shelby, Mark Toney
Members Absent: Mark Broughton, Hailyn Chen

OPEN SESSION

ROLL CALL

The Audit Committee was called to order by Chair Shelby. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Shelby 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:
 - Mr. Hill indicated the State Bar is responsible for the Committee of Bar Examiners and the actions they take. He stated the if members of CBE failure to act ethically, there should be real world consequences. Mr. stated proposed members to the CBE will assume this same liability and face the same consequences. Mr. Hill urged for more transparency in the appointment process.
2. Michael Sternberg:
 - Mr. Sternberg stated he appreciated Chair Shelby's appearance before a legislative body and the work of Board Secretary Louisa Arapetyan. He thanked the Board for their commitment to transparency. He stated he published board meetings on his YouTube channel. He stated that he is against Inspector Generals. He state his belief that IGs act as gatekeepers and rarely make a difference. Mr. Sternberg encouraged the Board to exercise its powers when it

finds misconduct. He stated that cameras should be in all court rooms to catch professional misconduct and judicial misconduct. He stated his wish that the Board would take this position on cameras in the courtroom. He wants public admonishments broadcast and put on YouTube like what happens in the state of Florida.

I. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Shelby provided an oral report.

II. MINUTES

A. Approval of May 18, 2023, Open Session Minutes

Moved by Knoll, seconded by Toney

Ayes – (3) Knoll, Shelby, Toney

Noes – (0)

Abstain – (0)

Absent – (2) Broughton, Chen

III. BUSINESS

A. Discussion of 2022 Internal Controls Review Results

Presenter: Aracely Montoya-Chico, Chief Financial Officer

Presentation and discussion only.

B. Update on Public Trust Liaison

Presenter: Enrique Zuniga, Public Trust Liaison

Presentation and discussion only.

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