MEMORANDUM

TO: Section and Committee Chairs
    Presidents and Executive Directors of State and Local Bar
    Associations
    House of Delegates
    ABA Directors and Department Heads

FROM: Marina B. Jacks

SUBJECT: Summary of Action of the June 5-6, 2014, Board of
    Governors Meeting

DATE: June 11, 2014

Attached is the Summary of Action of the June 5-6, 2014, meeting of the Board of
Governors held at the InterContinental Kansas City at the Plaza in Kansas City,
Missouri. This Summary does not constitute official Minutes of the meeting. Minutes of
the June 5-6, 2014 meeting will be presented to the Board for approval at the next
meeting in August 2014.

If you have any questions with respect to the action taken, please let me know.

cc: Board of Governors

Attachment
SUMMARY OF ACTION
AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

InterContinental Kansas City at the Plaza
Kansas City, Missouri
June 5-6, 2014

1. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Board received the reports of the President, President-Elect, Chair of the House of Delegates, Immediate Past President, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive Director. The minutes of the Board’s February 7, 2014 and April 10, 2014 meetings were approved. The minutes of the Executive Committee’s meetings on February 26, April 23, and May 27, 2014 were received.

2. MATTERS FOR DIRECT BOARD ACTION

2.1 Report on ABAction!

Jack L. Rives, ABA Executive Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation on ABAction! He discussed the following: a) the need to increase non dues revenue; b) develop exceptional member value; c) distinguish between members and non-members; d) focus on member retention; d) form strategic alliances; e) explore expanded markets for membership such as paralegals; and f) 42 initiatives that now comprise ABAction!. Mr. Rives described the ABA Academy, the premier resource for legal knowledge and educational programming brought by leading experts in all areas of law, from across the country, and around the globe. The new staff organizational chart, which better depicts the synergy of all staff entities, was presented.

2.2 Request to Amend Board of Governors Procedural Guidelines

Jarisse J. Sanborn, ABA General Counsel, informed the Board that the Illinois Not For Profit Act (Section 108.45a) states that an email ballot satisfies the written consent requirement, but requires that the email action be unanimous. The Board approved the request to amend the Board Procedural Guidelines to clarify that although the Board and its committees may take action by email ballot, any such action must be unanimously agreed to by all Governors or the matter must be referred to a meeting or telephone/video conference where all governors can participate and discuss the matter.

2.3 Report Regarding Internal Audit

This report was rescheduled for the 2014 Annual Meeting in Boston, Massachusetts.
2.4 Report from General Counsel Regarding ABA Journal Article

In executive session, the Board received a report from Jarisse J. Sanborn and Allen Pusey, Editor of the ABA Journal.

2.5 Review of Executive Director

In executive session, the Board received a report from Kenneth G. Standard, Chair of the Executive Compensation Committee.

2.6 Consent Calendar: Report of Board Committee Chairs

The Board adopted the Consent Calendar as presented by the Secretary. Action on all items contained on the Consent Calendar is set forth in items 3 through 5 of this Summary of Action relating to the reports of the Board Committees.

2.7 Report from Board Procedures and Operations Regarding Annual Board Evaluation

The Board received a report from Allen C. Goolsby III, Chair of the Board Procedures and Operations Subcommittee. Mr. Goolsby presented a report to the Board on the work of the Board Procedures and Operations Committee (“Committee”). The Committee will once again conduct evaluations of Board operations. Following the June 2014 Board meetings surveys will be sent to each member of the Board. In addition, members of the Committee will schedule conference calls with each individual Board member. Mr. Goolsby thanked President Silkenat and President-Elect Hubbard for actively participating in the meetings of the Committee and encouraged that this practice continue.

2.8 National Judicial College

The Board, sitting as the members of the National Judicial College (“NJC”), elected the following individuals as NJC representatives to the NJC Board of Trustees, all for three-year terms, effective July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017: a) Peter Bennett of Maine; b) Elizabeth J. Cabraser of California; c) Walter L. Sutton, Jr. of Texas; and d) Sandra S. Yamate of Illinois. (See also Exhibit 3.2b below.)

2.9 Fund for Justice and Education

The Board, sitting as members of the Board of the American Bar Association Fund for Justice and Education (“ABA/FJE”) a) approved the minutes of the February 7, 2014 meeting of the ABA/FJE Board as presented and b) accepted the ABA/FJE restricted grants and contributions received or awarded through March 31, 2014, and not previously reported, as requested by the Association’s Financial Services Division.

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2.10 Report from the Section of State and Local Government Law

The Board received a report from W. Andrew Gowder, Jr., Chair of the Section of State and Local Government Law (“Section”) and James Charles Hanks, Chair-Elect of the Section. Chair Gowder stated the following: a) the Section has a diverse membership and is expanding; b) lawyer membership is growing; c) the Section is using innovative programs to sustain its lawyer membership; and d) the Section consistently provides high quality publication and programs. Chair-Elect Hanks reported on the progress the Section has made in regard to diversity, thanking the Section Officers Conference and ABA leadership for their help to transform the Section. He stressed that it is not enough to believe in diversity, but an effort must be made to be inclusive.

2.11 Report from Section of Labor and Employment Law

The Board received a report from Joel A. D’Alba, Chair of the Section of Labor and Employment Law (“Section”) and Joyce Margulies, Chair-Elect of the Section. Chair D’Alba stated that the Section’s more than 25,000 members represent all perspectives of labor and employment law: management, union, plaintiff, neutral and public. It is committed to a balanced discussion of employment issues and consensus policy. Chair-Elect Margulies reported on the key publications, educational programs and the Section’s Annual Conference and the Committee Midwinter Meetings. All of these offer balanced programming.

2.12 Report from Judicial Division

The Board received a report from Judge David J. Waxse, Chair-Elect of the Judicial Division (“JD”). Judge Waxse reported that the JD is the coordinating body for the six membership entities called conferences, publishes the Judges Journal, produces webinars, publishes books and conducts various projects throughout the year. This year the JD is studying forensic science in the criminal justice system. There have been many wrongful convictions reported due to “bad science”. JD will conduct a symposium at the 2014 Annual Meeting which will bring together professors and forensic science experts. In addition, judicial college programs will be developed to educate judges on current practices in regard to forensic science.

2.13 Report from Committee on Scope and Correlation of Work

The Board received a report from Estelle H. Rogers, Chair of the Committee on Scope and Correlation of Work (“Scope”) and Sharon Stern Gerstman, Immediate Past Chair. Chair Rogers informed the Board that Scope’s jurisdiction is to review the committees, commissions, forums, and task forces of the ABA, each approximately every three years. The entity under review completes an information form and the Scope member assigned to that entity conducts interviews with the staff director, the Chair, and the Board liaison, and then makes a recommendation to Scope. Immediate Past Chair Gerstman explained when making recommendations, Scope considers: a) if the entity is active and doing good work; b) if the work is duplicated by or similar to work being done by another entity; c) whether the entity addresses current priorities; and d) if there is collaboration among the entities.
2.14  **Report from Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association**

W. Perry Brandt, President of the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, expressed his appreciation to the Board for meeting in Kansas City.

3.  **OPERATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

A.  **MATTERS FOR REVIEW BY THE BOARD**

3.1  **Requests for Bylaw Amendments**

a.  **Senior Lawyers Division**

The Board approved the request of the Senior Lawyers Division to amend its bylaws to revise the dues delinquency period prior to membership loss to align with the period set by the ABA Board of Governors. The proposed amendment was approved by the Division’s Council on February 8, 2014 and is subject to approval by the Senior Lawyers Division membership at its annual business meeting on August 9, 2014.

b.  **Judicial Division**

The Board approved the request of the Judicial Division to amend its bylaws to conform to ABA policy, reflect Judicial Division policy, respond to potential issues that may arise by virtue of other aspects of the Bylaws, amend dues delinquency period prior to membership loss to align with the period set by the ABA, conform grammar and style and correct punctuation. The proposed amendments were approved by the Judicial Division membership on February 8, 2014.

c.  **Section of Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law**

The Board approved the Section of Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law request to amend its bylaws to revise the dues delinquency period prior to membership loss to align with the period set by the ABA Board of Governors. The proposed amendment was approved by the Division’s Council on March 13, 2014 and is subject to approval by the Section membership at its annual business meeting in August 2014.

d.  **Law Student Division**

The Board approved the Law Student Division request to amend its bylaws to revise the dues delinquency period prior to membership loss to align with the period set by the ABA Board of Governors. The proposed amendment will be considered by the Law Student Division Assembly on August 9, 2014.
e. State and Local Government Law

The Board approved the Section of State and Local Government Law request to amend its bylaws to include the membership director as a member of the Section’s executive committee and council. The proposed amendment was approved by the Section’s Council on April 27, 2014 and is subject to approval by the Section membership at its annual business meeting in August 2014.

3.2. Nominations

a. Permanent Editorial Board of the Uniform Commercial Code:

The Board elected Norman M. Powell as the ABA’s representative to the Permanent Editorial Board of the Uniform Commercial Code for a three-year term commencing on June 1, 2014, as recommended by the Section of Business Law.

b. National Judicial College Board of Trustees:

i. The Board re-elected John M. Vittone of Maryland to the National Judicial College Board of Trustees to a three-year term commencing on July 1, 2014 as the Board of Governors representative to the National Judicial College Board of Trustees.

ii. The Board elected Hon. Christopher T. Whitten as the ABA’s representative to the National Judicial College Board of Trustees for a three-year term commencing on July 1, 2014, as recommended by the Judicial Division’s National Conference of State Trial Judges.

c. Board of Elections

The Board elected: i) Honorable Jean H. Toal, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of South Carolina, as Chair of the Board of Elections; and ii) Leonard H. Gilbert of Florida and Kay Bridger Riley of Oklahoma to serve as members on the Board of Elections, all to serve one-year terms beginning at the conclusion of the 2014 ABA Annual Meeting and ending at the conclusion of the 2015 Annual Meeting, as recommended by President-Elect Hubbard.

d. AEFC Pension Plan Administration Committee

i. The Board elected Palmer Gene Vance II to a three-year term as the American Bar Endowment’s (“ABE”) representative to the AEFC Pension Plan Committee, to begin at the conclusion of the 2014 ABA Annual Meeting and end at the conclusion of the 2017 ABA Annual Meeting, as recommended by the ABE Board of Directors.

ii. The Board elected Wm. T (Bill) Robinson, III to fill the unexpired term of Peter J. Neeson as the National Judicial College’s representative on the AEFC Pension Plan Administration Committee, effective immediately upon election through June 2016.
e. **Committee for the Thrift Plan for Employees of the American Bar Association and Affiliates**

   The Board elected Alpha M. Brady to serve as a member of the Thrift Committee to replace Jarisse J. Sanborn and to serve until she resigns or is replaced by the Board of Governors pursuant to the provisions of the Thrift Plan.

3.3 **Request from Criminal Justice Section to Create the Raeder-Taslitz Award**

   The Board approved the request of the Criminal Justice Section ("Section") to create the Raeder-Taslitz Award. The award will be given in memory of Professors Myrna Raeder and Andrew Taslitz by the ABA to a law professor whose excellence in scholarship, teaching or community service has made a significant contribution to promoting public understanding of criminal justice, justice and fairness in the criminal justice system, or best practices on the part of lawyers and judges. The award shall be an engraved piece of crystal or similar memento valued at approximately $200. It is an annual award but need not be given every year.

3.4 **ABA Medal**

   In executive session, the Board selected the recipient of the 2014 ABA Medal.

3.5 **Health Law Section Request to Enter Into a Memorandum of Understanding with American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants**

   The Board approved the request of the Health Law Section ("Section") to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants ("AALNC"). The AALNC is a not for profit membership organization dedicated to the professional enhancement and growth of registered nurses practicing in the specialty of legal nurse consulting and to advancing this nursing specialty. The Memorandum of Understanding allows for reciprocal complimentary memberships, promotion of targeted events, and links and information on both parties' websites. There is no financial obligation by the Section.

3.6 **Request from Judicial Division Regarding Joint Dues Proposal**

   The Board approved the request of the Judicial Division to amend the current Joint Dues Program to include an additional nine entities. The Joint Dues Program ("Program") is a joint dues rate of $60 for judge members who join the Judicial Division and one additional participating entity. The joint dues rate is split equally amongst the two entities.

3.7 **Request from Section of Litigation for Dues Ceiling**

   The Board approved the request of the Section of Litigation to create a dues ceiling of up to $75 for regular members and associates of the ABA. Although the Section requests authority to create a dues ceiling up to $75, no dues increase will be effectuated at this time.
3.8 Consideration of Requests for and Renewal of Technical Commenting Authority Expiring in June 2014 and Notifications to Serve as Reviewing Entities for These Technical Comments

a. Requests for Technical Commenting Authority

The Board approved the requests for technical commenting authority under the Association's Blanket Authority Procedure for a three-year period, to begin June 2014 and expire June 2017, of the following Sections:

i. Section of Environment, Energy and Resources
ii. Section of Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law

b. Requests for Renewal of Technical Commenting Authority Expiring in June 2014

The Board approved the requests for renewal of technical commenting authority under the Association's Blanket Authority Procedure for a three-year period, to begin June 2014 and expire June 2017, of the following Sections:

i. Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice
ii. Section of Antitrust Law
iii. Section of Business Law
iv. Health Law Section
v. Section of Intellectual Property Law
vi. Section of International Law
vii. Section of Labor and Employment Law
viii. Section of Public Contract Law
ix. Section of Real Property, Trust and Estate Law
x. Section of Taxation

b. Notifications to Serve as Reviewing Entities for Technical Comments

In accordance with the Blanket Authority Procedure, the Board also received, for informational purposes, notifications that the sections of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice; Antitrust Law; Business Law; Environment, Energy and Resources, Health Law Section, Intellectual Property Law; International Law; Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law; Real Property, Trust and Estate Law, and Science and Technology Law wish to serve as reviewing entities for some or all of the technical comments referenced in Exhibit 3.8 a and b above.

3.9 Request to Create Task Force to Examine Association Policies Impacting Recruitment and Retention of Law Students and Young Lawyers

The Board approved the request from President Silkenat and President-Elect Hubbard to create a Task Force to Examine Association Policies Impacting Recruitment and Retention of Law Students and Young Lawyers as ABA Members (“Task Force”). The Task Force will be comprised of 11 members, including a Chair. A budget of $20,000
was approved, with half allocated in the current fiscal year and half in the new fiscal year to cover two in-person meetings.

3.10 Request to Continue Legal Access Job Corps Task Force

The Board approved the request from President Silkenat to continue the Legal Access Job Corps Task Force (“LAJC”) for a final year. The Board has tentatively approved $80,000 to fund Task Force activities next year.

3.11 Request from Family Law Section to Reimburse Law Student for 2014 Annual Meeting

The Board approved the request from the Family Law Section to provide partial reimbursement of expenses incurred by its Law Student Division Council member for Section meetings to be held in conjunction with the 2014 Annual Meeting.

3.12 Request from Law Student Division to Reimburse Law Student for 2014 Annual Meeting

The Board approved the request from the Law Student Division to provide partial reimbursement of expenses, up to a maximum of $40,000, incurred by members of the Law Student Division Board of Governors for attendance at Division meetings to be held in conjunction with the 2014 Annual Meeting.

3.13 Request from 2015 London Sessions Planning Committee to Approve Registration Fees

The Board approved the request from the ABA 2015 London Sessions Planning Committee to establish registration fees for the 2015 London Sessions.

3.14 Requests from President-Elect Hubbard

a. Create Commission on the Future of Legal Services

The Board approved the request from President-Elect Hubbard to create a Commission on the Future of Legal Services (“Commission”) to engage the profession and the public in fresh thinking about the formidable challenges facing our justice system and to foster innovations that address and transcend these challenges. The Commission will be comprised of up to 30 members including a chair and tentatively a vice-chair. It will also have two special advisors and a reporter. The Commission will consist of representatives from the legal services and business communities, judiciary, legal education, young lawyers, technology experts and other legal service innovators, including non-lawyers. The main task of the Commission will be to develop a blueprint for fostering innovations in the legal system that will improve access to justice. The Commission will receive funding through the presidential initiative budget. No additional general revenue funds are being sought at this time. The Board also approved the request to seek outside funding.
b. **Approve Special Advisors**

The Board approved the request from President-Elect Hubbard to create and approve special advisor positions for six entities. In addition, the Board approved the request for the continuation of a total of 45 special advisors to 32 separate entities. In approving the request, the Board understood that no additional ABA general revenue is requested or required.

3.15 **Request from Commission on Homelessness and Poverty to Co-sponsor International Youth and Law Conference and Seek Outside Funding**

The Board approved the request from the Commission on Homelessness and Poverty ("Commission") to co-sponsor a two-day international conference on June 16-17, 2015 in London on homeless youth and the law in collaboration with Baker & McKenzie, the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness, Covenant House International/Casa Alianza, the European Federation of National Organisations, the National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty and the National Network for Youth. In addition, the Board approved the request to seek outside funding to offset costs associated with the program.

3.16 **Request to Create ABA Communities**

The Board approved the request for a new initiative focused on the creation of various social communities that are centered on the personal leisure and lifestyle interests of members. The initially contemplated communities will target member interests in golf and wine. In approving the request, the Board understood that all agreements will be reviewed and approved by the Office of the General Counsel.

3.17 **Request from Standing Committee on Armed Forces Law to Coordinate Response to Military Justice Review Group**

The Board approved the request from the Standing Committee on Armed Forces Law ("SCAFL") to respond to the April 22, 2014 request from the Office of the General Counsel ("OGC"), Department of Defense ("DoD") to provide advice or recommendations to improve the military justice system. Approval was granted with the understanding that SCAFL will coordinate the response with the Governmental Affairs Office and other interested entities.

3.18 **Request to Continue Task Force on Gender Equity**

The Board approved the request from the Task Force on Gender Equity ("Task Force") to continue its work next bar year in order to solidify the relationships with general counsel, bar associations, and law firms it has built and continue to make headway towards eliminating gender bias in the legal profession. The Task Force has tentatively been allocated $35,000 during the budgeting process to fund its activities next bar year.
3.19 Request from Section of State and Local Government Law to Amend Young Lawyer Writing Competition

The Board approved the request from the Section of State and Local Government Law (“Section”) to amend the previously approved annual Young Lawyers Writing Competition to include law students.

3.21 Request from Coalition on Racial and Ethnic Justice to Seek Co-sponsors and Outside Funding for School-to-Prison Pipeline

The Board approved the request from the Coalition on Racial & Ethnic Justice to co-sponsor with several non-profit and communication social organizations meetings and programs and seek outside funding from foundations, corporations, law firms, social justice entities and civil rights organizations for its “School–to-Prison Pipeline” program. In addition, the Board approved the request to seek outside funding.

3.22 Requests from Standing Committee on Publishing Oversight

i. Create Trade Publishing Imprint

The Board approved the request from the Standing Committee on Publishing Oversight (“SCOPO”) and the ABA Business Services Unit to create a new ABA publishing trade imprint - Ankerwycke Publishing. ABA Publishing, as part of its mandate to increase non-dues revenue and find new revenue sources, has begun to acquire and publish book titles for a general, non-lawyer trade market. With this new trade imprint, the ABA will have the ability to sell to a much larger customer base. ABA General Counsel will retain an outside firm to conduct work mark and logo registration in the US, Canada, and the European Union. The imprint will launch in first quarter FY2015.

ii. Authors Blog Service Agreement

The Board approved the request from SCOPO for ABA Publishing to enter into an arrangement with Newstex whereby that company will serve as the aggregation and distribution solution for legal blog content created by select ABA contributors and marketed for distribution under the ABA brand. In return for curation, the ABA would receive a monthly royalty payment reflecting 40% of all revenue derived by Newstex from the ABA branded blog stream.

3.23 Request for Approval of License Agreement for BakerManage

The Board approved the request to enter into a license agreement between the ABA and Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz PC (“Baker, Donelson”) to use Baker Donelson’s legal project management process and templates called “BakerManage” to help support the new Legal Project Management certificate training program.
3.24 Request from Section of Environment, Energy and Resources to Co-sponsor and Contribute Funds

The Board approved the request from the Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources (“SEER”) to co-sponsor and make financial contributions from Section funds for the following two programs:

i. to co-sponsor with the Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law the “2014 The Natural Resources Law Forum: Interdisciplinary Communication and the Role of the Environmental Lawyer” and contribute up to $1,000.

ii. to co-sponsor and contribute $750 towards the District of Columbia bar Association’s Section of Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources for its Annual Summer Law Clerk Reception in July 2014 in Washington, D.C.

3.25 Requests from Section of Antitrust

i. Continue Antitrust International Scholar-in-Residence Program

The Board approved the request from the Section of Antitrust Law (“Section”) to continue for an additional three years (through 2017), a Section-sponsored “International Scholar-in-Residence Program” that would sponsor two to three junior faculty members or current Ph.D. students for a research visit to the United States. This request was initially approved by the Board of Governors for a three period, ending in 2014.

ii. Continue Co-sponsoring and Administering Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project with State Attorneys General Offices

The Board approved the request from the ABA Section of Antitrust Law to continue cosponsoring and administering the Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project with State Attorneys General Offices and Territories for the summers of 2015, 2016, and 2017. The Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project is a Section initiative that provides law students who have an interest in public service and consumer protection, to work in the offices of state attorneys general throughout the country (exact offices to be determined) for a minimum of eight weeks. The Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project was first approved by the Board in September 2004 and has been a project of the Section every year through 2014.

3.26 Request to Ratify Operations and Communications Action to Approve Creation of SOC Outstanding Collaboration Award

The Board ratified the action taken by Operations and Communications when it approved the SOC request, on an expedited basis, to create an annual SOC Outstanding Collaboration Award to honor significant or extensive collaboration of two or more SOC entities.
3.36 Request to Approve Friendship Agreement Between the ABA and the Bar Association of Sri Lanka

The Board approved the request from the Rule of Law Initiative ("ROLI") to enter into a Friendship Agreement ("Agreement") with the Bar Association of Sri Lanka. The intent of the Agreement is to provide a framework through which the ABA can deepen the mutual knowledge and understanding of both parties' profession and professional bodies and continue to develop a positive and mutually beneficial relationship. The provisions of the Agreement are: a) Information exchange; b) Exchange visits; c) Reciprocal complimentary registration for Annual Meetings; d) Technical assistance; and e) other activities consistent with those matters above. The approval is subject to review and approval of the agreement by General Counsel's Office.

3.37 Request from Center for Professional Responsibility to Create Jeanne P. Gray Diversity Scholarship

The Board approved the request from the Center for Professional Responsibility ("CPR") to create the Jeanne P. Gray Diversity Scholarship ("Scholarship"). The Scholarship will rotate among the four national diversity bars with leadership of those bars selecting the recipient. The award recipient will receive airfare, hotel and will have their registration fees waived for the National Conference on Professional Responsibility. In addition, the recipient will be recognized at the Conference opening and participate in various meetings during the Conference. The funds to cover the award will be derived from CPR's charitable contributions.

3.38 Request from Stephen N. Zack to Enter Into a Partnership Agreement with Magna Carta 800th Anniversary Commemoration Committee

The Board approved the request from Stephen N. Zack to enter into a partnership agreement with the Magna Carta 800th Anniversary Commemoration Committee, which is the British committee charged with overseeing commemoration activities marking the 800th Anniversary of the sealing of the Magna Carta. The ABA was invited to submit a proposal for a grant from the United Kingdom but must have an executed partnership agreement to be considered. The approval is subject to review and approval of the agreement by the General Counsel's Office.

B. MATTERS OF INDEPENDENT JURISDICTION

3.27 Requests for Co-sponsorships

The Operations and Communications Committee approved co-sponsorship requests from the following entities. No additional ABA general revenue is requested or required for the co-sponsorships at this time.

a. Commission on Women in the Profession (two requests):

   i. to co-sponsor with the Boston Bar Association a program "From Visible Invisibility to Visibly Successful" on August 7, 2014 in Boston, Massachusetts.
ii. to co-sponsor with the National Conference of Women's Bar Associations the 2014 Women's Bar Leadership Summit on August 8, 2014 at in Boston, Massachusetts.

b. Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs: to co-sponsor a research project with the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation. The research project will conduct surveys determining aspects of substance use disorders experienced by lawyers.

c. Lawyers Conference (two requests):

i. to co-sponsor with the Supreme Court Fellows Alumni Association a reception on August 7, 2014 in Boston, Massachusetts.

ii. to co-sponsor with the University of Missouri School of Law a student writing competition in October 2014.

d. Young Lawyers Division: to co-sponsor with Social Exposure and other young lawyer affiliate groups fundraising benefits for the ABA YLD 2013-2014 Public Service Project “Bullyproof: Young Lawyers Educating and Empowering to End Bullying”. Dates and locations to be determined.

e. Section of Antitrust Law: to co-sponsor with the Federal Trade Commission (“FTC”) a reception and dinner in November 2014 in Washington, D.C., in conjunction with the FTC’s 100th Anniversary Symposium.

f. Solo, Small Firm and General Practice Division: to co-sponsor with The Center for Teaching the Rule of Law a “Magna Carta Secondary School Video Contest” in the Fall of 2014.

g. ABA Journal (two requests):

i. to co-sponsor with Georgetown University Law School the “Iron Tech Lawyer” in the Fall of 2014 in Washington, DC. The Journal will contribute $2,500. Expenses will be covered by funds generated through ABA Journal advertising.

ii. to co-sponsor with the Suffolk University Law School and other academic entities the “Hackcess to Justice, An Access to Justice Hackathon” on August 7-9, 2014 in Boston, Massachusetts. Corporate sponsors will be solicited to offset the costs of the program and underwrite the prize money. The first place winner will receive $1,500, the second place $1,000 and the third place $500. The competition is subject to the approval by the ABA’s General Counsel’s Office.

h. Blue Box Project with AARP: to co-sponsor with the AARP a Blue Box Project (“Project”). The Project is comprised of a system to be used by families to store important and essential information including wills, titles to property, birth certificates, and other important documents. The Project also will include information concerning
instructions, checklists, and suggestions on how to compile the contents of the box. The Project would be marketed by both the ABA and the AARP as a relatively inexpensive way to manage documents that many families do not currently effectively maintain.

i. **ABA with Inter-American Bar Association:** to co-sponsor with the American University Washington College of Law and the Centro de Estudios de Justicia de las Americas the Inter-American Bar Association’s (“IABA”) 50th Annual Conference on June 24–29, 2014 in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

j. **Rule of Law Initiative:** to co-sponsor the Third Annual “Program on Judicial Reform in Latin American and the United States” on June 14-25, 2014 in Washington, DC.

3.28 **Request from Section of International Law to Co-sponsor Committee Programs for 2014-2015**

The Board approved the request from the Section of International Law (“Section”) for certain Section “Committee Programs” co-sponsorship with certain outside entities in the 2014-2015 Association year. Due to the nature of the topics (i.e. recent court cases, new government regulations) these programs are usually held without much advance notice. The programs are typically held at the ABA D.C. Office, law firms and government agencies. The programs are organized from start to finish in a 3-4 week period.

3.29 **Request from Senior Lawyers Division to Approve Six Travel Programs for 2015**

The Operations and Communications Committee approved the Senior Lawyers Division’s requests for the following Division travel programs for Division members to be conducted through the following travel providers, subject to review and approval by the General Counsel’s Office:

a) **Programs provided through Thomas P. Gohagan & Company:** a) March 2-12, 2015, Tanzania Safari; b) July 18-25, 2015, Alaska’s Inside Passage; and c) August 28 – September 5, 2015, Riviera’s and Islands – France, Italy and Spain – Rome to Barcelona.

b) **Programs provided through Go Next, Inc.:** a) January 6-16, 2015, Mayan Mystique/Oceana Cruises; b) February 28 – March 5, 2015, Cuban Discovery; and c) April 23-May 9, 2015, Pathway Through Panama.
MATTERS FOR REVIEW BY THE BOARD

4.1 Request to Approve Three New Enterprise Funds for FY2015

The Board approved the Program, Evaluation and Planning Committee's recommendation of the following three proposals for the 2014-2015 Enterprise Fund, for a total of $237,717 in funding:

a. ABA Veterans' Claims Assistance Network at $100,000. Participating entities: Standing Committee on Legal Assistance for Military Personnel, Commission on Homelessness and Poverty, Coordinating Committee on Veterans' Benefits and Services and Governmental Affairs Office.

b. Fighting Implicit Bias in the Justice System, What Judges and Lawyers Can Do (Book) at $88,650. Participating entities: Judicial Division, Criminal Justice Section and Section of Litigation.


4.2 Request from ROLI to add Venezuela to the list of Approved Countries Submitted as Part of the FY2014-2015 Annual Plan

The Board approved the request from ROLI to revise its Annual Plan to incorporate Venezuela as one of the countries in which it can operate programs for which it will seek funding. The approval is with the understanding that any grants received by ROLI at less than the NICRA rate are subject to the additional steps for approval outlined in the revised Grants Policy approved by the Board in February 2013.

MATTERS OF INDEPENDENT JURISDICTION

4.3 Follow-up from 2014 Midyear Meeting Convocation on Poverty Related Legal Issues: How Can Lawyers Help Address and Solve the Systemic Issues?

The Board approved the continuation of collaborative efforts of multiple ABA entities that have formed a Working Group to continue to develop a plan to address the systemic issues. The Working Group will develop a more detailed plan and budget for its efforts in the fall of 2014 as part of the FY2015-2016 Annual Planning process.
A. MATTERS FOR REVIEW BY THE BOARD

5.1 Request from Judicial Division to Contribute to the Hon. William F. Dressel Scholarship Endowment

The Board approved the request from the Judicial Division, along with its National Conference of State Trial Judges, National Conference of Specialized Court Judges, and National Conference of the Administrative Law Judiciary (collectively referred to herein as the “JD Contributors”), to make a financial contribution from JD Contributors reserve funds to the Hon. William F. Dressel Scholarship Endowment in the amount of $2,500.00.

5.2 Request from the Council of the Fund for Justice and Education Regarding Society of Saratoga Legacy fund

The Board approved request of the Council of the Fund for Justice and Education (“FJE Council”) to increase the membership level for donors pledging a bequest to the Society of Saratoga Legacy Fund from the current $1,000 level to $10,000.

5.3 Request from Section of Litigation to Fund Outside Legal Organizations

The Board approved the request from the Section of Litigation request to contribute from section funds $15,000 to three outside Legal Services organizations in the amount of $5,000 each to a) Bay Area Legal Services; b) Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland; and c) Montana Legal Services Association.

5.4 Grant Awards/Modifications Report

The Board of the American Bar Association Fund for Justice and Education accepted the restricted grants and contributions received or awarded through March 31, 2014 and not previously reported, as requested by the Association’s Financial Services Division.

5.5 Request for Funding of Presidential Task Force on Stand Your Ground Laws

The Board tentatively approved the request from the Presidential Task Force on Stand Your Ground Laws for $30,000 for FY2015 to implement its Final Report with recommendations. In approving the request, it is understood that this recommendation does not impact the Program’s priority support for funding of $185,000 for the Center on Children and the Law as recommended to the Finance Committee at its April 10-11, 2014 meeting.

5.6 Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence Funding Request for the 210th Anniversary of the Violence Against Women Act

The Board tentatively approved the request of the Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence for the FY2015 budget in the amount of $30,000 to support a signature
reception at the 2015 Annual Meeting to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Violence Against Women Act.

5.7  Grant Thornton Engagement Letter

The Board approved the engagement letter between Grant Thornton LLP and the ABA dated April 25, 2014 in the form presented at this meeting, such letter providing for the engagement of Grant Thornton LLP to audit the consolidated financial statements of the ABA as of August 31, 2014 and the related consolidated statements of activities and changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended and conduct an audit of ABA’s compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB A-133 Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the ABA’s federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2014.

5.8  FY2015 Consolidated Budget
(No Board action required at the June 2014 Board of Governors meetings.)

The Finance Committee tentatively approved the FY2015 Budget. The final budget will be presented to the Board of Governors for its consideration at the 2014 Annual Meeting in August.