

Board of Governors Action Items January 25 & 26, 2024

Approved the October 2023 Minutes.

Voted to recommend approval of 13 reciprocity applicants and 13 UBE score transfer applicants.

Voted to approve two Rule 43 (ALSC) waivers for Benjamin Bonner and Benjamin Smith.

Voted to approve a Rule 43.4 Military Spouse Waiver for Jennifer Cassidy.

Voted to approve a deferred Bar Exam application.

Voted to appoint Steven Hansen to the Alaska Judicial Council.

Voted to send to the Governor the following nominations and poll results to the Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct: Jane S. Mores (1st Judicial District) and Larry Zervos (combined 2nd and 4th Judicial District).

Adopted recommendations of character and fitness subcommittee and denied an applicant admission on character and fitness grounds.

Adopted recommendations of character and fitness subcommittee and recommended an applicant admission on character and fitness grounds.

Voted to approve a request for non-standard testing accommodations for the February Bar Exam.

In the Reinstatement Matter Involving Erin A. Pohland, the Disciplinary Board voted not to adopt the Area Hearing Committee recommendation that Ms. Pohland be denied readmission to the Alaska Bar Association. The Disciplinary Board will issue an Order setting out its findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations to be submitted to the Supreme Court with the record and Area Hearing Committee Report.

Voted to approve Alaska Native Justice Center as a Qualified Legal Service Provider under Bar Rule 43.2.

Voted to submit Bar Rule 43.6 to the Supreme Court for adoption. Bar Rule 43.6 would create a practice waiver for out-of-state attorneys to engage in pro bono practice if supervised by a qualified legal service provider.

Voted to amend the Bylaws to have Board member and officer terms begin at the close of the annual business meeting.

Voted to amend the budget to allow funds from the succession planning budget be used to cover unanticipated legal expenses.

Voted to move the May Board of Governor meeting from Nome to Anchorage.

Voted to have money saved from moving from Nome to Anchorage to do community outreach in rural locations.

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