DELAWARE STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

LITIGATION SECTION MEETING – NOVEMBER 5, 2015

Following advance and proper notice, the meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. at the DSBA Offices.

Present: See attached sign-in sheet for those who attended in person. This meeting was also broadcast live to Tunnel & Raysor, P.A. in Georgetown.

Old Business

1. October Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the October meeting were approved.

2. Superior Court Judicial Preferences

Discussion was had regarding the benefits of Judicial Preferences. Judge Wharton has recently posted. Judge Cooch requested feedback from the Section regarding His Honor's preferences. Sub-committee was formed to prepare response: David Soldo, Travis Hunter, Somers Price, and Kathleen Murphy.

3. <u>Update on Sheriff's Service and Lack of File & ServeXpress Email Notification</u>

Bill Brady reported on investigation, including communications with Don Gouge, Counsel for New Castle County Sheriff's Office. Following discussion and vote, Section decided to draft letter to Chief Justice Strine and communicate advantages of receiving email notification. Sub-committee was formed to prepare letter: Bill Brady, Karl Randall and Doug Cummings.

New Business

1. Report on Presentation to Executive Committee

Doug Cummings reported on the Section's annual presentation, which included information regarding the Section's Speaker Series and upcoming Fundamentals of Civil Litigation CLE (May 12, 2016). Executive Committee approved the Section's request to fundraise for the Superior Court Bench and Bar Cocktail Reception (March 3, 2016). Traditionally, in exchange for \$500 contribution, firm's name will be prominently advertised at reception entranceway.

2. Additional Matters

Discussion was had regarding article to be drafted by the Section for publication in the Delaware Law Review. Doug Cummings invited interested Members to contact Pat Costello, the Section's liaison to the DLR, to learn more about the opportunity.

3. <u>Luncheon Speaker – The Honorable Jan R. Jurden</u>

President Judge Jurden engaged the Section by leading a discussion regarding recent developments and ongoing efforts to improve Superior Court.

The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

The Litigation Section's next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2016 at noon at the DSBA offices, 405 N. King Street, Suite 100, Wilmington, DE 19801.

Submitted by:

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