

ADR Section Meeting Minutes—November 14, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

I. Introduction

William Johnston, Katherine Witherspoon, Robert Young, and Suzanne Holly attended the meeting.

II. Approval of October 17, 2018 meeting minutes

The minutes were approved as drafted.

III. Old Business

a. CLE planning and status

The Section discussed the idea of co-sponsoring a CLE with the litigation section concerning mediation advocacy. Suzanne Holly agreed to contact the chair of the litigation section to inquire as to that section's interest in presenting a CLE on this topic.

b. Member recruitment, retention, and promotion

The Section's officers will continue to reach out to current, non-active, and potential members.

c. Continued consideration of award for promoting ADR

The Section discussed the ADR award criteria that was circulated prior to the meeting, and agreed to present the more formal proposal to the DSBA awards committee.

d. Follow-up on rule rationalization project

e. Follow-up on scheduling speakers for upcoming meetings

Katherine stated that she has already lined up Kevin Fasic to speak concerning ADR in the labor and employment law context. The Section also proposed reaching out to Anthony DelCollo to speak to the section concerning ADR in the workers' compensation area, David White to speak about entering into and maintaining an ADR practice, and Mark Vavala or another person from within the courts to demystify the process of court-administered ADR.

IV. New Business

a. Review of Executive Committee meeting

Bill Johnston reviewed the report he gave to the executive committee, and noted that the executive committee seemed enthusiastic about the idea of an ADR Section-sponsored award.

b. Review of November 7 CLE

The CLE was well-attended, with an estimate of approximately 30-40 people in the live location. One issue that the Section discussed was that the panelists at the CLE seemed circumspect about the newly-implemented mandatory arbitration rule. The Section discussed whether there is a role for the Section in investigating further the utility of and reaction to the rule.

V. Upcoming Dates/Events: THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE OFFICES OF YOUNG CONAWAY ON JANUARY 9, 2018 AT 9:00 A.M.

VI. Adjournment