

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
GOVERNMENT LAW SECTION
MEETING MINUTES-January 6, 2018**

(Via telephone conference)

1. **Call to Order:** A meeting of the Government Law Section Council was called to order by Chair, Karrie Zeits on January 6, 2018, at 10 a.m.

2. **Attendance:**

Present: Chair, Karrie A. Zeits, Vice Chair, Steven P. Joppich, Secretary-Treasurer Gregory T. Stremers, Lori Grigg Bluhm, Christopher Forsyth, Debra A. Walling, Carol Rosati, Michael P. McGee, Kester K. So, Sonal Hope Mithani, Michael Watz, Mary J. Fales, Catherine A. Mullhaupt, James E. Tamm, Jeffrey V. H. Sluggett, Audrey J. Forbush, Helen Lizzie Mills.

Absent: Gerald A. Fisher; Past President-Mark E. Nettleton, Eric D. Williams, Anita Hitchcock

Motion to Excuse Absence: Walling **Support:** Mullhaupt, Council approved unanimous vote.

3. **Approval of Agenda:**

Motion: Christopher Forsyth. **Support:** Mary J. Fales.

Council approved unanimous vote.

4. **Approval of Minutes:**

a. December 2, 2017

Motion: Rosati **Support:** Mullhaupt. Council approved by unanimous vote.

5. **Treasurers Report:** SBM Financials through December 2017 Received, Reviewed and Filed. Membership is up to 714 members from 610 in April 2017.

6. **Old Business:**

a. Winter Seminar 2018-February 9, 2018: The Henry

Lori Grigg Bluhm led a discussion on the seminar. Registration will go out soon. Save the date has gone out. Other sections not interested in e-blast for their members. May contact Lawyer's Weekly.

b. Summer Seminar-2018

- 1) June 22-24, 2018**
- 2) Crystal Mountain**
- 3) Topics**

Mr. Joppich led a discussion regarding Mr. Fisher's memo/speaking subjects to suggest to Justice Markman. Mr. Joppich will follow up with council comments to Mr. Fisher.

Mr. Joppich led a discussion regarding imminent-domain seminar topic issues.

7. New Business

Establishment of Amicus Committee with Williams, Mithani, Stremers, and Current Chair Zeits.

Motion to Establish an Amicus Standing Committee: Walling **Support:** Rosati, Council approved unanimous vote.

8. Council Comments:

Adjournment: The Council by consensus adjourned the meeting at approximately 1048 a.m.