

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PRACTICE SECTION
JANUARY 17, 2008

A meeting of the General Practice Section was held at the Sea Grille in West Bloomfield, Michigan, on Thursday, January 17, 2008. Present were Council Members Elizabeth Silverman, Maury Klein, Bill Cataldo, Fred Sackllah, and Christopher Carlson. Invited guests in attendance were Sheldon Stark and Max Hoffman.

Call To Order: A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order by the Chairperson. Because the acting Secretary was absent, Christopher Carlson was appointed the Secretary for the meeting.

Approval Of Minutes: The December 2007 meeting minutes were unavailable. The matter of approving the prior meeting's minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

Treasurer Report: The Treasurer reported a balance of \$27,183.72. There were discussions regarding budgeting concerns. It was decided to further discuss these concerns at the next meeting as the amounts of certain current and scheduled expenditures will be available at that time relating to the newsletter and a scheduled mid-year ABA trip.

Newsletter Report: Maury Klein reported the newsletter was at the printers.

Chairperson Report: Fred Sackllah reported on various current issues and concerns including: The Computer Section had changed its name to Information and Technology, and it was discussed and determined that Fred Sackllah will look into the requirements to change the section's name to the Solo and Small Firm section; Nominations for major State Bar awards are due April 4, 2008, and nominations for Representative Assembly awards are due February 22, 2008; The State Bar Annual Meeting will be on September 17 - 19, 2008 at the Dearborn Hyatt.

New Business: Upon motion by Elizabeth Silverman and duly seconded by Fred Sackllah, it was unanimously approved that the editor fees as authorized under the prior year's term shall remain in effect for the current year.

Sheldon Stark provided the most recent current agenda for the 5th Annual Solo & Small Firm Institute & State Bar of Michigan Annual Meeting and provided detail on the speakers and agenda. Max Hoffman reported on the benefits of the section's continued sponsorship to the program. Sheldon Stark requested the section's sponsorship of \$5,000. It was decided to examine thoroughly the continued sponsorship of the program at the next meeting along with the budgeting concerns.

Old Business: None.

Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn, duly seconded and by unanimous vote the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Christopher S. Carlson
Acting Secretary for Meeting

Dated: January 18, 2008