August 2018 Agenda

Alternative Pathways to Becoming a Lawyer Committee
August 14; 3:00 – 5:00 pm
In-Person: McKenzie Room, Oregon State Bar Center
Call-in: 1-866-910-4857 x 671660#

- 1) Minutes from July meeting (Thompson)
- 2) Follow up
 - a. Financials and metrics on how Maine and New York operate their respective implementation of Charge Two (Parker)
 - b. Financials and metrics on how Gonzaga Law School operates its two-year law school program (Koegen)
- 3) Charge Two: Discussion of how third year law school waiver would be considered
- 4) VOTE on how the Committee wishes to proceed on Charge Two
 - a. Option One: Recommend No Action
 - b. Option Two: Recommend the Committee draft a letter encouraging President Nordyke to send a letter on behalf of the Oregon State Bar to the American Bar Association urging modification of the three-year requirements
 - c. Option Three: Recommend the Committee urge the Board of Bar Examiners to adopt a rule permitting law students who have completed two years of an accredited law school to spend the third year of their scholastic experience in a law firm, judicial office, law position in the military, or government agency to sit for the bar exam
 - d. Option Four: Other, to be determined
- 5) Charge One: Discussion of whether we as a Committee wishes to proceed on Charge One
 - a. Option One: Recommend No Action
 - Option Two: Recommend the Committee urge the Board of Bar Examiners to adopt a
 rule permitting applicants who have not graduated from an accredited law school to sit
 for the bar exam after being mentored by a qualified mentor
 - c. Option Three: Other, to be determined
- 6) Discussion of minimum qualifications for applicants to a law study program
 - a. Option One: Recommend no education requirements at all
 - b. Option Two: Recommend Bar staff and anticipated volunteer committee make case by case determinations after reviewing applications
 - c. Option Three: Recommend high school degree or GED degree minimum

- d. Option Four Recommend associate's degree minimum
- e. Option Five: Recommend bachelor's degree minimum
- f. Option Six: Recommend a satisfactory completion of an enlistment of military service in any branch of the United States armed forces
- g. Option Seven: Other, to be determined
- 7) Next meeting schedule
- 8) Adjourn