



**Board of Governors Action Items
September 9 & 10, 2010**

Voted to accept the Area Hearing Committee's "Finding of Fact and Conclusions of Law" and "Final Report of the Hearing Committee and Recommendations re: Sanctions" in the Disciplinary Matter of Wevley Wm. Shea, which recommended that Shea be suspended for 25 months, and that prior to reinstatement he be required to comply with Bar Rule 29(c)(1), and be required to demonstrate, via evidence from a psychiatrist or psychologist, that he is mentally fit to return to the practice of law.

Voted to accept the revised stipulation in the Disciplinary Matter of Kevin Morford which states that the five year suspension commenced on the effective date of Morford's interim suspension.

Voted to recommend nine reciprocity applicants for admission.

Voted to reimburse, from the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection, a total of \$19,575 to seven clients in Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection matters involving two attorneys.

Voted to adopt the Area Hearing Committee's order to dismiss James Hanlon's petition for reinstatement without prejudice.

Voted to adopt the Area Hearing Committee's recommendation for disbarment in the Disciplinary Matter of Dennis Acker; Bar Counsel should file a motion for attorney fees and costs.

The Board asked Bar Counsel to compile a matrix of discipline imposed by the Supreme Court so that the Board can see the range of discipline by category of conduct.

Bar Counsel reported that the Alaska Rules of Professional Conduct Committee formed a subcommittee that will be reviewing the proposed amendments to ARPC 3.8, "Special Responsibilities of a Prosecutor," and they will report back to the committee in the next few months.

Voted to send to the Supreme Court a proposed amendment to Bar Rule 10(f) providing for the appointment of more than one Board Discipline Liaison.

Voted to send to the Supreme Court a proposed amendment to Bar Rule 36(a) correcting appointing authority language.

Voted to send to the Supreme Court a proposed amendment to Bar Rule 40(f)(11) changing Fee Arbitration proceedings recorded “on tape” to recorded “electronically.”

An amendment to Bar Rule 34(b), which would have required Fee Arbitration when the client has agreed to arbitration in an agreement, died for lack of a motion.

Voted to send to the Supreme Court a proposed amendment to Bar Rule 39(d)(2) clarifying waiver of the right to request or maintain arbitration.

Voted to appoint Andy Harrington to the alternate position for the 4th Judicial District on the ALSC Board of Directors.

Voted to approve the meeting minutes of the April 26 & 27, 2010, May 6, 2010 and June 3, 2010 board meetings.

Voted to table the Family Law Self Help Center’s request for a \$5,000 grant for Spanish translation of videotaped topics.

The Board had a mini-retreat to discuss a variety of upcoming issues.

The Board met with the Alaska Supreme Court and informally discussed items of common interest.