

**District of Columbia Bar
Board of Governors Meeting
March 14, 2023**

**Call to Order
(Agenda Item 1)**

President Ellen M. Jakovic called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting with some members attending in person and others via Zoom teleconference.

The following members of the Board of Governors were in attendance: President-Elect Charles R. Lowery Jr., Secretary Shayan Davoudi (remote), Treasurer Shaun M. Snyder, Immediate Past President Chad T. Sarchio, Rebecca F. Cady (remote), Karen A. Newton Cole, Brian K. Flowers, Elizabeth “Sally” Gere, Janene D. Jackson (remote), June B. Kress, Megan Lacchini (remote), Andrea Mangones, Fatema K. Merchant, Steven R. Miller (remote), Peggy Lansbach O’More (remote), Ramya Ravindran, and Diane A. Seltzer.

Board members Catherine D. Bertram, Natalie M. Koss, Lisa A. Lipsky, Roger Lu Phillips, and Courtney Weiner did not attend.

D.C. Bar Chief Executive Officer Robert J. Spagnoletti (remote) and D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center Executive Director Kelli Neptune attended the meeting, along with the following D.C. Bar staff: Matthew Butler (remote), Shoushu Chen (remote), David Chu (remote), Dennis Cuevas, Akil Ellis, Carla Freudenburg, Amy Hackett (remote), LaTanya Hunter (remote), Rhonda Jackson, Meredith Janssen (remote), Margarita Lorenzetti, Karen Lundy (remote), Erum Mirza, Maurice Morrow, Monica Page, Query Raobelina (remote), Pamela Robinson (remote), Darrin Sobin (remote), Crystal White, Rhonda Jackson, and Adriana Zick (remote).

Nominations Committee Chair Paulette E. Chapman also attended (remote).

**President’s Report
(Agenda Item 2)**

President Jakovic presented her report and recapped some of the programs, meetings, and events that she and President-Elect Charles Lowery attended. She commended the D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center for having four of its programs included in “The 20 Best Ideas for Your Bar Association” workshop that was held at the National Conference of Bar Presidents meeting in February. She also highlighted the addition of a new D.C. Bar Community for early career attorneys that will become available during the upcoming license renewal season.

**Consent Agenda
(Agenda Item 3)**

President Jakovic presented the Consent Agenda, which included the draft minutes of the December 13, 2022, meeting.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda.

See Tab 3.

**Treasurer’s Report
(Agenda Item 4)**

Treasurer Snyder presented his quarterly report.

See Tab 4.

**CEO’s Report
(Agenda Item 5)**

CEO Spagnoletti announced that as part of the Bar’s mission to support the voluntary bars, it will sponsor two attendees from the winner of this year’s Voluntary Bar Association of the Year Award to attend the next ABA Bar Leadership Institute. Chief Programs Officer Darrin Sobin noted the success of the 2023 Tax Conference. CEO Spagnoletti congratulated Chief Financial Officer Margarita Lorenzetti and the rest of the Finance team for shepherding the Bar through

another successful audit. He also announced that the Bar will have an in-person Candidates Forum on May 3rd at the Bar headquarters.

See Tab 5.

**Report of the Nominations Committee
(Agenda Item 6)**

Nominations Committee Chair Paulette Chapman presented the report of the Nominations Committee, which included the committee's recommendation to reappoint Lisa Lipsky as a non-voting member of the Board.

See Tab 6.

**Budget Committee Report (Proposed FY 2023-24 Budget of the D.C. Bar)
(Agenda Item 7)**

President-Elect and Budget Committee Chair Charles R. Lowery, Jr. presented the Budget Committee's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

See Tab 7.

**Executive Session
(Agenda Item 8)**

The Board met in Executive Session.

**Adjournment
(Agenda Item 9)**

There being no further business, President Jakovic adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



Shayan Davoudi
Secretary