

**District of Columbia Bar
Board of Governors Meeting
June 16, 2026**

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

President Sadina Montani called the meeting to order.

The following members of the Board of Governors (“Board”) attended the meeting: President-Elect Diane A. Seltzer, Treasurer Joshua L. Mogil, Treasurer-Elect Amanda C. Molina (remote), Lukman S. Azeez (remote), Leila S. Bham, Gaffar Chowdhury, Karen A. Newton Cole, Anthony J. Coppolino, Shirley Diaz, Francis Dong, Andrea Mangones, Ramya Ravindran, DeAndra Roaché (remote), Secretary Bennett Rushkoff, Stephen A. Saltzburg, Mark A. Salzberg, Belinda Edwards Taylor, and Courtney L. Weiner.

The following Board members did not attend the meeting: Patrick C. English, Natalie Koss, Louis Lopez, and Immediate Past President Shaun M. Snyder.

The meeting was also attended by Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Robert J. Spagnoletti, Pro Bono Center Executive Director Kelli Neptune, Chief Financial Officer Margarita Lorenzetti, Chief Information Officer Caterina Luppi, General Counsel Christopher Ryan, and Chief Programs Officer Darrin Sobin.

Additional D.C. Bar/Pro Bono Center staff attended but did not speak during the meeting.

Eric L. Yaffe, Chair of the Legal Ethics Committee, incoming Board members Sharra E. Greer and Steven P. Hollman, and Board candidate John Hopkins-Gillispie, attended the meeting remotely.

**Consent Agenda
(Agenda Item 2)**

President Montani presented the Consent Agenda, consisting of the Secretary's draft minutes of the Board's meeting on April 14, 2026.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda.

See Tab 2.

**President's Report
(Agenda Item 3)**

Noting the high voter turnout in the Bar's 2026 elections, President Montani congratulated the winning candidates who were elected to the President-Elect, Treasurer-Elect, and other Board positions. She reported on (i) the Bar's Judicial Leadership Luncheon held in May, (ii) the Advice & Referral Clinic held in April, (iii) a luncheon held at the Bar headquarters with representatives from the French Embassy, (iv) recent work in support of continued Access to Justice Initiative funding, (v) an open letter from G7 bar leaders to the G7 heads of state regarding Rule of Law issues, and (vi) the D.C. Circuit's 2026 judicial conference to be held in Williamsburg.

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

Treasurer Mogil presented the Treasurer's Report, summarizing the Bar's financial results through the third quarter of FY 2026 (ending March 31, 2026).

See Tab 4.

**CEO's Report
(Agenda Item 5)**

CEO Spagnoletti reported on (i) the high level of participation in the Bar's 2026 elections, (ii) an upcoming request to the Board to approve the appointment of John Hopkins-Gillispie to fill the one-year Board vacancy to be created by Treasurer Mogil becoming President-Elect, (iii) an

upcoming request to the Board to approve appointments to the Executive Committee, (iv) results to date from the current license renewal period, including Pro Bono Center donations, Community memberships, and MyDCLawyer subscriptions, (v) a year-end summary of 15 projects undertaken by Bar staff during FY 2026 in support of the Bar's Strategic Plan, (vi) the successful single-program audit for D.C. Bar Foundation grant funds received by the Pro Bono Center, (vii) the upcoming recruitment of Bar committee candidates for Fall 2026, and (viii) the establishment of the D.C. Bar Store.

See Tab 5.

Report of the Legal Ethics Committee (Agenda Item 6)

Legal Ethics Committee (LEC) Chair Yaffee presented for Board approval the LEC Committee's proposed Charter. The Board approved the Charter.

LEC Committee Chair Yaffee presented for Board approval, and answered a Board member's question regarding, the LEC Committee's proposed revisions to the LEC Rules. The Board approved the revised LEC Rules.

See Tab 6.

Appointment to Fill Vacancy on the Innovations in Legal Practice Committee (Agenda Item 7)

President Montani presented the Bar staff's recommendation that Ella Beres be appointed to fill a lawyer vacancy on the Bar's Innovations in Legal Practice Committee. The Board approved the recommended appointment.

See Tab 7.

**Appointments to Fill Vacancies on the Judicial Evaluation Committee
(Agenda Item 8)**

President Montani presented her recommendation that the Board approve the appointments of Jennifer Masi and Heather N. Pinckney to serve initial three-year terms (from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2029) on the Bar's Judicial Evaluation Committee. The Board approved the recommended appointments.

See Tab 8.

**Report of the Screening Committee
(Agenda Item 9)**

Committee Chair Coppolino presented the Screening Committee's recommended appointments to the Attorney/Client Arbitration Board (ACAB), including Ilia Kolochenko, Carl K. Turpin, and Patricia S. Vermillion for lawyer vacancies and Ann Morris for a non-lawyer vacancy. Mr. Coppolino also presented the Screening Committee's recommendations that Maryam Hatcher be reappointed as chair of the ACAB and that Sarah Williams be appointed as vice chair of the ACAB. The Board approved the recommended appointments.

Mr. Coppolino presented the Screening Committee's recommended appointments to the Legal Ethics Committee (LEC), including Hilary P. Gerzhoy, Laura E. Hankins, Cheryl A. Mackay, and James B. Slaughter for lawyer vacancies and Francis H. "Doc" Dong for a non-lawyer vacancy. Mr. Coppolino also presented the Screening Committee's recommendations that Eric L. Yaffe be reappointed as chair of the LEC and that Craig D. Singer be appointed as vice chair of the LEC. The Board approved the recommended appointments.

Mr. Coppolino presented the Screening Committee's recommended appointments to the Rules of Professional Conduct Review Committee (RPCC), including Diana K. Ashton, Lauren A. Greenberg, Norma B. Hutcheson, Craig E. Leen, Courtney Miller, and Janet E. Mitchell. Mr.

Coppolino also presented the Screening Committee's recommendations that Minsuk Han be appointed as chair of the RPCC and that Craig E. Leen be appointed as vice chair of the RPCC.

The Board approved the recommended appointments.

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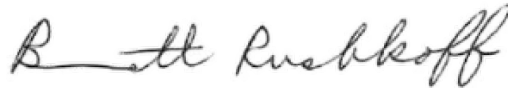
**Executive Session
(Agenda Item 10)**

The Board moved into Executive Session.

**Adjournment
(Agenda Item 11)**

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bennett Rushkoff". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Bennett Rushkoff
Secretary