MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2010 MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE REAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION OF THE
STATE BAR OF NEVADA

In attendance via teleconference were Mary Drury, Michael Buckley, Colleen Dolan, Sandi Turner, Matt Watson, Doug Flowers, Karen Dennison and Craig Howard and Professor Ngai Pindell from UNLV Boyd School of Law. Absent were Pierre Hascheff, DeArmond Sharp, Layne Butt and Dave Davis (resigned). A quorum was established and the meeting commenced at 4:10 p.m. Joyce Smetanick, legal secretary at Marquis & Aurbach, took the minutes for the meeting.

1. The minutes of the January 19, 2010 meeting were reviewed and approved.

2. Craig Howard gave an update on the 2010 Annual Meeting CLE. Craig said that he has Melissa Orien (of Holland & Hart) set up from Reno and Linda Bullen (of Lionel Sawyer) set up from Las Vegas for one hour. Craig said that he will get a timeslot and have more information to report later.

3. There was a discussion of the membership of the Executive Committee. Dave Davis’ membership will expire at the Annual Meeting. It was suggested that Angela Otto could be Dave’s replacement. It was pointed out that Angela is from the South and could bring a better balance to the Committee as to members who are from the North and South. Doug Flowers said that Angela is a contributor and experienced and she has an interest in being involved. Pursuant to Article V, Section 10 (which provides for an election to complete a member’s term), a vote was taken to elect Angela Otto to complete Dave Davis’ term. The vote passed. Michael Buckley will contact Angela to let her know.

4. Professor Pindell joined the meeting via teleconference, and Michael Buckley introduced him to the Executive Committee. Michael Buckley said that it would be great to have a structured relationship with the law school. Professor Pindell stated (a) professors and students want to be involved; (b) an upper level real estate courses; and (c) general projects that could use student/professor input. Professor Pindell said that he is learning about what is going on in Nevada, and wants to learn more about the Executive Committee. Michael Buckley explained what the Committee has done over the past year, each subcommittee, and the legislative work that they have done. Michael said that the Committee is getting ready for the next legislative session, and the law school could help with that. Mary Drury suggested the possibility of having an intern at Boyd. The practical issues of this were discussed. Professor Pindell asked if there would be enough work or projects for the students. An extern with the Real Estate Division and the role of ombudsman was also suggested.

5. Michael Buckley reported on the Pat Randolph Event. He said that he had not yet received a report from Lori at the State Bar, but there were 44 attendees, and he had received positive feedback. There was a discussion of reimbursing Pat Randolph for his expenses, such as airfare, food, show tickets, etc.

6. There was no Treasurer’s Report because DeArmond Sharp was absent.
7. Mary Drury gave a report on the Bridging the Gap Seminar in Las Vegas. Mary said the concept at the Las Vegas Seminar was not good. She said that the students did not mingle and suggested that the students may have been intimidated. Mary said that she heard that the set-up at the Reno Seminar was better and there was more interaction between students and attorneys.

8. Michael Buckley reported that the ABA task force recommendations investigation is moving along.

9. There was a discussion of 2011 legislation, and it was decided everyone should take a look and give feedback to Doug Flower’s subcommittee.

10. There was a discussion regarding transfer fees. Colleen Dolan said that the Committee needs to have a wait and see attitude, take a reactive approach, and see what constructive comments can be made. She said that Nevada still has a “touch and concern” covenant re easements.

11. Mary Drury and Matt Watson shared their recent phone conversations with Nevada Title regarding creditor’s rights coverage in title insurance policies.

12. There were no individual reports from the subcommittees.

13. The next meeting will be held on March 16, 2010, at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.