

Environmental and Natural Resources Section

Meeting Minutes – March 14, 2014

**Location:**

Lionel Sawyer & Collins, Reno, Nevada, and via teleconference.

**Attendees:**

<b>Linda Bullen</b>	<b>Therese Ure</b>	<b>Ross de Lipkau</b>
<b>Dave Hornbeck</b>	<b>Keith Turney</b>	<b>Matthew Curti</b>
<b>David Lloyd</b>	<b>Alex Flangas</b>	<b>Michael DeLee</b>
<b>Gene Leverty</b>		

**Business Conducted:**

**Minutes:**

The meeting was opened by Linda Bullen and Therese Ure, co-chairs.

Treasurer's Report. David Hornbeck handed out the profit and loss statement effective January 2014. The calendar year 2014 began with a carry forward balance of \$12,392.89. Copy enclosed. What occurred in the months of January and February has not yet been calculated.

CLE Program. This involves the CLE program put on by the Committee. In attendance were about 15-20 attendees. The program and talks were well received. Gene Leverty, the State Bar liaison committed to looking into issues with the teleconference equipment at the State Bar facility as well as the division of conference funds between the Section and the Bar.

Transitioning into Practice. This program was previously known as "Bridge the Gap." Gene Leverty gave an overview of the program. The Section participated in both the Las Vegas and Reno TIP programs in 2014, representing the Section and advocating for Section membership.

State Bar Section Meeting. A State Bar Section leaders' meeting was held on March 11, 2014. One of the issues was the Supreme Court's request to receive amicus briefs in support or against a certain proposition, if such issue is rather unique, and not regularly presented to the Supreme Court. However, depending upon the issue, and the

type of issue presented, all members within a particular section may not agree. *I.e.*, and for example, an amicus brief discussing a “construction law issue” may be equally divided between members of the construction bar. Other topics included a possible appellate court in Nevada (and Section donations to same), Section funds carry overs, pro bono initiative for “One Case,” and various types of section activities other than CLEs.

Lifetime Achievement Award. Ross de Lipkau, Linda Bullen, Therese Ure and Keith Tierney volunteered to be on the LAA subcommittee. The event will be held on June 27, 2014 at the offices of Lionel Sawyer & Collins, immediately following the quarterly Section meeting.

The annual meeting will be in July 10-12, 2014 in Newport Beach, California. We were asked to think about topics for presentation to the members for the 2015 conference.

Civility Social Events. This issue involves various social gatherings for attorneys of various fields of specialty to meet, get acquainted, socializing and cross marketing. The Section is looking into organizing such an event in Las Vegas and Reno.

New Business. There was no new business.

The next meeting will be held in the same location at 4:30 p.m., June 27, 2014. It is contemplated that the lifetime achievement award will be given at a social function commencing at approximately 5 p.m. that day. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1 p.m.