**MINUTES**
**May 11, 2020**

**Attendance.** After being duly noticed, the following members of the Executive Committee (Committee), constituting a quorum pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Third Amended Bylaws (as approved May 9, 2001, amended October 18, 2006 and July 9, 2014), participated in a telephonic only meeting on Monday, May 11, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.: Jeffrey R. Rodefer, Chairman; P. Gregory Giordano, Vice Chairman; Michael R. Brunet; Erica L. Okerberg; Jennifer Roberts; and Karl F. Rutledge.

**ITEMS DISCUSSED.**

1. **Review and Approve the Minutes of March 10, 2020.** After reviewing a draft, the Committee, upon a motion made and duly seconded, unanimously approved the Minutes of March 10, 2020.

2. **Ratify COVID-19 Relief Fund Donations.** Pursuant to email responses from a the Committee members on March 25, 2020, $5,000 donations were made to both the “United Way of Northern Nevada and the Sierra” and “United Way of Southern Nevada” to further aid COVID-19 relief efforts throughout the state. Upon a motion made and duly seconded, the Committee unanimously approved these donations.

3. **COVID-19 Virtual Town Hall Meeting Update.** Michael Brunet informed the Committee that he moderated a Virtual Town Meeting on April 6, 2020 for the State Bar of Nevada entitled “Into the Unknown: The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Nevada’s Gaming Industry.” He indicated there were about 75 people who logged on to watch the Zoom presentation. In addition to Michael, the speakers included Dennis Gutwald, a partner with the law firm of McDonald Carano who discussed regulatory concerns and Greg Garman, a partner with the law firm of Garman Turner Gordon who addressed potential restructuring issues facing the gaming industry. Michael Brunet also stated that the third scheduled speaker, Todd Greenberg, a longtime gaming industry executive was expected to give an operator’s perspective but was unable to participate.
4. **GLS eNewsletter - Update.** Erica Okerberg reminded the Committee that the Q2 2020 edition of the GLS eNewsletter would be the responsibility of A.C. Ansani, Greg Gemignani and Jennifer Roberts. She further indicated that the initial draft was due by July 6, 2020 to start the editorial process.

5. **Pro Bono Gaming Employee Registration Program Update.** Since Scott Scherer was unable to attend the meeting, this item will be continued to a future meeting.

6. **2020 Gaming Law Conference Update.** Jeff Rodefer stated the 2020 Gaming Law Conference would be held on Friday, November 6th at the Red Rock Casino Resort & Spa. He further indicated that the following panels and/or speakers were committed for the conference:

   - Ethics TBD (2 hours) – Tony Cabot
   - Regulators Roundtable (1 hour)
   - Responsible Gaming (1 hour) – Dr. Bo Bernhard
   - Sports Betting (1 hour) – Jennifer Roberts
   - Keynote Lunch Speaker – Vegas Golden Knights speaker TBD

Jeff further reminded the Committee that at its March 10, 2020 meeting, Jaime Black was going to follow-up on the possibility of a “GCB Chiefs Roundtable” with Jim Barbee, James Taylor, etc. Since Jaime was unable to attend the meeting, Jeff stated he would discuss an update with her. Additionally, Michael Brunet was asked about recreating his Virtual Town Hall as a 60-minute panel presentation. He thought it was a topic to be further explored, but uncertain at this date about his ability to coordinate it.

Finally, the Committee was asked about its interest in holding the Opening Night Reception on November 5th given the ongoing social distancing concerns raised by the COVID-19 pandemic and the fact that the reception has drawn a minimal turnout since its inception. After some discussion, the Committee unanimously agreed to cancel this year’s reception.

7. **Nevada Gaming Lawyer magazine - Update.** Jeff Rodefer stated that the following articles and/or authors were committed for this year’s magazine:

   - *A Nevada Lawyer Parts the Curtain of Nostalgia – Nevada’s Gaming Odyssey* – U.S. Senator Richard H. Bryan (Ret.)
   - *Implementation and Compliance with New Harassment and Discrimination* – Greg Giordano
   - Sports Betting TBD – Scott Scherer
   - Sports Betting TBD – Jennifer Roberts
   - TBD – Jaime Black
   - TBD – Greg Gemignani
   - Shipping Rules – Mark Lerner
   - Interview with the New Chair of the Nevada Gaming Commission – TBD
   - Gaming Law Section LL.M. Scholarship Recipients – TBD
Erica Okerberg also stated she would submit an article on a topic yet to be determined. The Committee also discussed having an article addressing COVID-19 issues regarding the reopening of the gaming industry. Finally, Jeff Rodefer stated that no advertisers from prior years have been contacted to date. Several Committee members indicated that their firms have canceled their advertising budgets for the year and would not be placing ads.

8. **Vote to Reappoint/Appoint Members to the Executive Committee.** The Committee was advised that the terms for the following Committee members would be expiring the end of May:

- Lou Dorn
- Greg Gemignani
- Erica Okerberg
- Scott Scherer

Additionally, the Committee was informed that a Listserve.com message was sent out to the members of the Gaming Law Section on March 19, 2020. The correspondence asked that anyone interested in being considered for appointment to the Committee to send his or her resume or biographical statement to Robert Horne, Communications Manager for the State Bar of Nevada by May 1, 2020. As of the deadline, only one individual responded, Robert B. Ziems, President, Aruze Gaming.

Jeff Rodefer also stated he received an email from Lou Dorn expressing his interest in being reappointed. Erica Okerberg informed the Committee that she would like to be reappointed too. Upon a motion made and duly seconded, the Committee unanimously nominated Lou Dorn and Erica Okerberg to serve additional three-year terms that would expire on May 31, 2023.

Since neither Greg Gemignani or Scott Scherer were able to attend the meeting and, moreover, neither one previously expressed any interest in being reappointed, Jeff stated he would contact both for a response. As such, the Committee would be required to hold another meeting by May 31, 2020 to vote on these remaining two seats.

9. **Other Items of Interest.** No matter was raised for discussion.

10. **Adjourn.** With no other business to discuss, the Committee, upon a motion made and duly seconded, unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting.

DATED 22ND day of May 2020.

State Bar of Nevada
Gaming Law Section

Jeffrey R. Rodefer, Chairman