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MINUTES

September 9, 2015

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 meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at the law offices of McDonald Carano Wilson LLP located at 2300 W. Sahara Avenue, Suite 1200, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102: Jeffrey R. Rodefer, Chairman; P. Gregory Giordano, Vice Chairman; A.C. Ansani; Michael R. Brunet; *Jennifer Carleton; *Lou Dorn; *Sean McGuinness; *Maren Perry; *Jennifer Roberts; and *Scott Scherer.

ITEMS DISCUSSED.

- 1. Review and Approve the Minutes of June 3, 2015. Upon a motion made and seconded, the Committee unanimously approved the Minutes of June 3, 2015.
- 2. <u>Review and Approve 2016 Budget</u>. Having reviewed and discussed the proposed 2016 Budget, the Committee, following a motion made and seconded, unanimously approved the 2016 Budget.
- 3. <u>GLS Pro Bono Gaming Employee Registration Program Update</u>. Scott Scherer advised the Committee that he needs to (i) review the indigent criteria for program candidates and would discuss with the various legal aid clinics, and (ii) work to develop a procedure that will assist the Committee in identifying lawyers who have taken on such pro bono representation in this area. In turn, the Committee indicated a desire to acknowledge these lawyers annually in the *Nevada Gaming Lawyer* magazine. Scott further provided

that Terry Johnson, Member of the Nevada Gaming Control Board was supportive of the program.

- 4. Nevada Gaming Lawyer (2015). Jennifer Roberts reviewed for the Committee the 2015 edition of the Nevada Gaming Lawyer magazine, including positive feedback she had received from various individuals. Jeff Rodefer advised the Committee there was a print run of 2,000 copies, which were mailed to the 200 members of the Gaming Law Section. Copies of the magazine were also mailed out to approximately 500 other individuals, including members of the Nevada Gaming Control Board and their staff, the members of the Nevada Gaming Commission, the members of the Nevada Legislature, statewide elected officials, members of the judiciary, members of the Nevada's Congressional delegation, media, various gaming industry executives and representatives. The remaining copies would be distributed to UNLV's International Gaming Institute and the William S. Boyd School of the Law, UNR's Institute for the Study of Gambling & Commercial Gaming, the 2015 Gaming Law Conference and the 2016 BSA Conference. The total cost of the publication, including graphic design, printing and mailing was approximately \$9,000 that was offset against \$4,000 in advertising revenues.
- 5. <u>2015 Gaming Law Conference Update</u>. The Committee reviewed the agenda and speaker profiles for the conference. Jeff provided an update on advertising and registrations.
- 6. Nevada Gaming Law Practice and Procedure Manual-Update. Greg Giordano advised the Committee on the status of this publication. He indicated that Mark Lerner had been gracious enough to serve as a co-editor to assist with the final review. The State Bar of Nevada was currently proofreading a draft of the Manual. Per the State Bar, the proposed publication date for the Manual would be Spring 2016. The Manual would be proposed in both CD and 3-ring binder format. Greg requested that Jeff send an email to all authors asking if they had any updates or revisions that needed to be made as the result of the 2015 Legislative session. Jeff agreed to do so.
- 7. <u>2015 BSA Conference</u>. The Committee reviewed and discussed the conference held on June 18, 2015 at Paris Las Vegas Hotel and Casino. The Committee preferred the horizontal layout the room with better audio/visual for the attendees. Jeff indicated that the final accounting for the conference was still unknown, but speculated the Section should realize revenues of \$15,000-\$20,000 from the event.

8. 2016 BSA Conference. The Committee received and reviewed a proposal from Casino Essentials for the 2016 BSA Conference. Specifically, Casino Essentials was under contract with The Cosmopolitan to host its three-day conference every year in August through 2018. Casino Essentials was proposing to reduce its conference to two days and the Gaming Law Section to hold its BSA Conference on day one. In exchange, Casino Essentials would help to market the event and give attendees the option of attending both conferences or just one of the conferences. The BSA Conference would continue to be a Gaming Law Section and State Bar of Nevada event with all applicable revenues going strictly to the State Bar and the Gaming Law Section. Jeff stated he had discussed the proposal with the State Bar's CLE Department, who feared the BSA Conference would become a Casino Essentials event. A majority of the Committee held similar views. Greg suggested that a few of the Committee members attend the 2016 Casino Essentials conference to better understand the possible arrangement. Jennifer Roberts even suggested a possible one-year trial in the joining the events. As such, the Committee decided to maintain the BSA Conference as a separate event in 2016 and revisit the issue for 2017

In addition, Michael Brunet outlined a proposal from the Palms Hotel and Casino to hold the event in either May or June 2016. However, the largest facility available was limited to a 400-seat capacity and both the 2014 and 2015 *BSA Conferences* drew attendance figures of 440 and 413, respectively. In turn, the Committee agreed to look at other venues large enough to accommodate this expected turnout.

- 9. Other Items of Interest. No other items of interest were raised for discussion.
- 10. Adjourn. With no other matters to discuss, the Committee adjourned its meeting.

DATED 25 day of February, 2016.

State Bar of Nevada Gaming Law Section

Jeffrey R. Rodefer, Chairman