COURT REPORTERS CERTIFICATION ADVISORY BOARD Meeting Minutes

(Virtual Meeting Conducted by Zoom) 205 W. 14th Street Austin, Texas 78701 Thursday, April 29, 2021 (1:00 p.m. Until Adjournment)

The meeting of the Court Reporters Certification Advisory Board (Board) was called to order by Judge Cathleen Stryker at approximately 1:00 p.m. Judge Stryker, Molly Pela, Deborah Hamon, Kim Tindall, Janice Eidd-Meadows, and Shari Krieger attended by Zoom. Whitney Lehmberg-Riley did not attend.

Staff members present by Zoom were Jeff Rinard, Scott Gibson, Sheryl Jones, Michele Henricks, Tyees Holcombe, and Rachel Davis.

Judge Stryker introduced herself as the new Chair replacing the former chair, Judge Lori Valenzuela. Judge Stryker expressed she was happy for the opportunity to work with the Board and introduced new Board member and official court reporter, Shari Krieger.

Jeff Rinard welcomed Judge Stryker and Shari Krieger to the Board. Mr. Rinard noted JBCC staff continues to work remotely and has been able to perform JBCC operations in that capacity. Mr. Rinard provided an update on certifications under new programs for current Fiscal Year 2021 with 4 apprentices, 4 provisionals, and 10 court reporters certified by endorsement, mostly from California.

The Board members reviewed and approved the prior Board meeting minutes from the December 20, 2019 meeting.

Agenda item IV, the Board voted to recommend Deborah Hamon be appointed as an official court reporter to the Court Reporters Complaint Review Committee with Shari Krieger appointed as an alternate. Board recommendations for appointment to the complaint review committee will be presented to the Commission for approval at the May 7, 2021 meeting.

Agenda item V, the Board voted to appoint Shari Krieger to the Court Reporter Uniform Format Manual Committee.

Agenda item VI, Review of Court Reporter School Curriculums. The Board considered curriculums submitted from two new Court Reporter Schools for JBCC approval. Upon proper motion and second, the Board voted to recommend approval of the following Court Reporter School Curriculums:

- A. University of Houston Downtown
- B. Odessa College

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Agenda item VII, Update on Court Reporter Reciprocity Outreach – California. Mr. Rinard provided an update noting that JBCC reached out to 31 states with some positive feedback, starting with California. Mr. Rinard advised that JBCC has been working on a possible reciprocity agreement with California for the past year to include JBCC staff attendance at board meetings and a workshop. Michele Henricks gave a summary of the workshop conducted by the Court Reporters Board of California meeting of the license reciprocity task force, advising that matters were left pending for further discussion at a future date.

Public comment was provided by Art Richardson.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Judge Cathleen Stryker

Court Reporters Certification Advisory Board

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