LICENSED COURT INTERPRETER ADVISORY BOARD Summary of Minutes

Office of Court Administration Tom C. Clark Building 205 W. 14th Street, Rm. 605 Austin, Texas 78701 Friday, February 20, 2015 (2:00 p.m. Until Adjournment)

The meeting of the Licensed Court Interpreter Advisory Board (Board) was called to order by Melissa Fischer, Presiding Officer, at 2:01 p.m. The members present by phone were Presiding Officer Melissa Fischer, Luis Garcia, Melissa Wallace, Cynthia De Pena, and Robert Richter. The staff members present were Jeff Rinard, Michele Henricks, Lesley Ondrechen, Tyees Holcombe, Katie Bond, and Veena Mohan.

Presiding Officer Melissa B. Fischer gave opening remarks and welcomed the Board members.

The Advisory Board members reviewed and approved the minutes from the October 23, 2014 advisory board meeting.

Mr. Rinard welcomed the Board and provided an overview process used by the Code of Ethics Committee to develop the Code of Ethics. The members of the committee are Luis Garcia, Melissa Wallace, and Cynthia De Pena.

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed LCI Code of Ethics. The Board voted to recommend the proposed Code of Ethics to the Judicial Branch Certification Commission (JBCC), at the May 1, 2015 commission meeting.

The Advisory Board recommended several agenda items for the next Board meeting, including future legislative proposals, possible registration of LCI firms, and the development of an interpreter standard of practice. A future meeting date was not selected.

Marco Hanson addressed the Advisory Board briefly and provided the Board with talking points and goals from the Texas Association of Judiciary Interpreters and Translators. Leo Perales also attended the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Melissa B. Fischer Presiding Officer