Licensed Paralegal Practitioner Steering Committee

Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2022 Zoom Meeting 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Judge Amber Mettler, Chair Susan Morandy Steve Johnson Monte Sleight Jacqueline Morrison Carolyn Clark Leslie Staples Matthew Page

Staff: A.J. Torres and Scotti Hill, Utah

State Bar

Chairperson Judge Amber Mettler called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

1. **Discussion** – Review of comments from 14-802 rule change.

The Committee read through the submitted comments and determined it did not see anything that would need a wording change, that some of the comments made positive points for the LPP programs.

Next steps – A.J. and Nancy will work to get the rule change approved by the Supreme Court.

Motion – Steve Johnson motioned to approve the rule change as proposed. Seconded by Susan Morandy. Passed unanimously.

2. Action— Approval of the draft meeting minutes: (A.J. Torres)

Judge Mettler asked for approval of the minutes.

Steve Johnson moved to approve the minutes. Scotti seconded. Minutes approved.

3. **Discussion – LPP Innovation Subcommittee.**

The Subcommittee did meet and was lead by Tonya Wright. The committee discussed having LPPs do expungements after a short training or using the one day expungement training CLE as the requirement. The court forms already exist. The Subcommittee reviewed and discussed proposed language. A proposed new rule will be circulated to this committee for review at the December meeting.

Discussion on having LPPs being able to assist with simple probate cases. Court forms already exist and possibly using a CLE certification as a requirement. The Subcommittee would like to get the ability for expungements in place and monitoring that process and program before adding further certifications for LPPs.

4. LPPs on current casework and projects.

All LPPs in attendance acknowledged they were still very busy.

5. **Discussion—Update from Bar.** (Scotti Hill)

Scotti reported on her attendance at the IAALS conference in Denver. Scotti advised that the IAALS were collecting data and working on ways to pool resources to come up with a national framework for non-attorney's to provide limited legal services. Scotti will prepare and send a more detailed report to this committee.

Discussion on perceptions that LPPs are part of the sandbox. LPPs are regulated versus the Sandbox which is deregulated or circumventing the rules. Discussion on educating the Bar regarding the sandbox.

6. **Discussion—Update on rural outreach:** (Steve Johnson)

Steve Johnson advised that he, A.J. and Laura Pennock went to the Career Fair at Juab High School. They determined that high schools are not very effective for getting information out about the LPP program and that the focus should be on colleges.

7. **Discussion—Update on outreach efforts:** (Monte Sleight)

Monte Sleight advised that he was working on some career fairs in the spring and will provide dates and welcomes others to participate.

8. **Discussion - Other Business: -** None.

9. Adjournment and next meeting:

The meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m. The next meeting will be held on December 20, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. via Zoom.