#### MINUTES OF THE SUPREME COURT'S

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

February 25, 2019

The meeting commenced at 5:02 p.m.

## **Committee Members Attending:**

Steven G. Johnson, Chair

Daniel Brough

Tom Brunker

Simón Cantarero

Hon. James Gardner

Joni Jones

Hon. Trent Nelson (by telephone) (emeritus)

Amy Oliver

Vanessa Ramos

**Austin Riter** 

Cristie Roach

Gary Sackett (emeritus)

Katherine Venti

Padma Veeru-Collings

Billy Walker

#### **Guests**:

Justice Deno Himonas John Lund

## **Members Excused:**

Tim Conde Hon. Darold McDade Phillip Lowry Cory Talbot

## **Staff:**

Nancy Sylvester

## **Recording Secretary:**

Adam Bondy

### I. Welcome and Approval of Minutes

Mr. Johnson determined quorum and welcomed the committee.

#### **Motion:**

Mr. Brunker moved to approve the minutes from the January 14 meeting. Mr. Riter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### II. New Business: Discussion on Regulatory Reform

John Lund introduced a new task force focused on regulatory reform and innovation to improve access to and affordability of the civil justice system. Justice Himonas and Mr. Lund answered questions from the committee about scope, vision, and implementation. There will be a special meeting on March 16, 2019 (more details below). A recommended reading is G.K. Hadfield's Rules for a Flat World.

## III. Update: Rule 8.4(g) Report and Edits from Supreme Court

Mr. Johnson reported on the Supreme Court's edits to Rule 8.4(g) and (h) and discussed the proposed timeline for adopting the rules as edited.

#### IV. Update: Rule 1.11 and Intern Policy

This discussion was tabled.

## V. New Business: Consistency Checklist

Mr. Johnson discussed the need for a consistency checklist and circulated a draft checklist for use when rules are being drafted or amended. For example, we need to set a standard for adding advisory committee notes/comments when our rule will differ from the model rules.

#### VI. Update: Comments to RPC Rules affected by LPP Program

Mr. Johnson reported that the proposed rules package has been sent to the Supreme Court.

#### VII. Report: Attorney Advertising Subcommittee Rule Proposals

Mr. Brough reported for the subcommittee. The subcommittee recognized that advertising does not pose the same level of risk as some of the other client-protection rules. The subcommittee presented proposals for condensing Rule 7.1 and asked for feedback. The full committee discussed several concerns and whether the proposed rules address those concerns, including the dangers posed by in-person advertising. The subcommittee will present amended proposed language by email before the next meeting.

#### **VIII. Report: Multidisciplinary Practice Subcommittee**

Mr. Brunker reported for the subcommittee. The subcommittee reviewed an MDP proposal made in 2001 to figure what is useful from it. The committee noted that it is difficult to formulate an MDP implementation plan or set of rule amendments without being given a basic MDP vision/policy. The subcommittee would like to attend the reform task force's special session meeting to better understand the MDP vision/policy before proceeding.

#### IX. Other Business

None.

## X. Next Meeting

Members of the committee are invited to attend a task force special session on Saturday, March 16, 2019, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Parsons Behle & Latimer (subject to confirmation).

The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2019, at 5:00 p.m.

# XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.