CONNECTICUT BAR EXAMINING COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT NOVEMBER 5, 2010

The Chair, Honorable Anne C. Dranginis (Ret.) of Litchfield, called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. (EDT). Present were Jorene Couture, Earl F. Dewey II, Eric M. Gross, Karen L. Karpie, Honorable John J. Langenbach, Honorable C. Ian McLachlan, Gail E. McTaggart, Irving H. Perlmutter, Denise Martino Phelan, Matthew Wax-Krell and Michael J. Whelton.

Present by invitation were Howard E. Emond, Deputy Director of Attorney Services; Kathleen B. Wood, Administrative Director; Jessica F. Kallipolites, Assistant Administrative Director; Assistant Deans Paula Kaldis and Diane Sullivan from Massachusetts School of Law; Dean Brad Saxton from Quinnipiac University School of Law; Associate Dean Willajeanne McLean from University of Connecticut School of Law; Associate Dean Michael Hillinger from University of Massachusetts School of Law at Dartmouth; and Assistant Dean Michael Johnson from Western New England College School of Law.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Perlmutter, seconded by Mr. Whelton, it was voted unanimously to accept and record the public and non-public portions of the minutes of the October 15, 2010 meeting.

Judith Gunderson from the National Conference of Bar Examiners made a presentation on the Multistate Performance Test (MPT), offered written material to the Committee for review and answered questions posed by both the Committee and the guests. The Chair invited the guests to express any concerns and/or thoughts that their respective law schools had regarding possible utilization of the MPT by the Committee on future bar examinations. The most notable concern was time of implementation if the Committee voted to utilize the MPT to ensure that graduates are properly prepared to sit for the CT bar examination. The Chair directed that the matter be placed on the Agenda for the December 10, 2010 Special Meeting for further consideration.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. (EDT).

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Respectfully submitted.