CLIENT SECURITY FUND COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING JANUARY 23, 2025 80 WASHINGTON STREET HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

MINUTES

Members Participating:

Judge Ingrid L. Moll
Attorney Harry Weller
Ms. Samantha Crone
Attorney Christopher M. Houlihan
Attorney Mathew P. Jasinski
Judge Tammy T. Nguyen
Attorney Danielle M. Palmieri
Attorney Jamie Lynn Porter
Attorney Jessica Probolus
Mr. Ian Russell
Attorney Allenston M. Sheridan, Jr.
Attorney Latonia C. Williams

Staff Present:

Ms. Kaitlyn Bernacki Attorney Paul C. Jensen, Jr.

The meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m.

1. OLD BUSINESS

1.1. Minutes of Meeting, December 5, 2024

The minutes of the public meeting of December 5, 2024, were unanimously approved as drafted.

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1. Election of Officers for Calendar Year 2025

The committee unanimously elected Judge Moll as committee chair and Attorney Weller as vice-chair for calendar year 2025.

2.2. Client Security Fund Fee Due Date

The committee unanimously selected Monday, June 16, 2025, as the due date for the 2025 client security fund fee.

2.3. Request from Judge Elizabeth A. Bozzuto, Chief Court Administrator, to Analyze and Review the Proposal of the Attorney Assistance Advisory Committee to Amend Practice Book § 2-77 (Tabled from December 5, 2024)

Judge Moll provided the committee with an update regarding the Attorney Assistance Advisory Committee's proposal that Practice Book § 2-77 be amended to increase the amount available to be paid from the fund to lawyer assistance program(s). Judge Moll stated that after meeting with Judge Elizabeth A. Bozzuto, Chief Court Administrator, Judge Anna M. Ficeto, Deputy Chief Court Administrator, Judge Andrew W. Roraback, Chair of the Attorney Assistance Advisory Committee, and Attorney Melissa A. Farley, Executive Director, External Affairs Division, it was understood that the Chief Court Administrator would refer to the Rules Committee of the Superior Court a proposal that the relevant portion of Practice Book § 2-77 be amended as follows:

The amount paid from the fund in any calendar year to the chief court administrator for the provision of crisis intervention and referral assistance to attorneys shall not exceed [15.9] <u>25</u> percent of the amount received by the fund from payments of the client security fund fee in the prior calendar year.

After discussion, the committee unanimously voted to support the Chief Court Administrator's proposed amendment before the Rules Committee.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m. to continue the meeting to consider matters exempt from F.O.I. and confidential pursuant to Practice Book § 2-76. The confidential meeting ended at 2:56 p.m., and the committee re-opened the public

meeting at 2:56 p.m. to consider and vote on Item 2.3. The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul C. Jensen, Jr.

First Assistant Bar Counsel