

Minutes  
Bench-Bar Centralized Claims Committee  
Subcommittee on Legal Issues

The Subcommittee on Legal Issues met in the Superior Court Operations Conference Room 204 located at 225 Spring Street, Wethersfield, Connecticut at 2:00 p.m. on November 12, 2008.

Subcommittee Members in attendance were Attorney Joanne Faulkner, Chairperson, Attorney Natalie Erickson, Attorney Maureen Finn, Attorney Adam Olshan, Attorney Joseph Patchen, Attorney Rafie Podolsky, Attorney Michael Ross and Attorney Richard Terry. Judge Clarence Jones attended as well as Attorney Joseph Del Ciampo, Attorney Russell London, Attorney Stacey Manware, Jacqueline Ivel and Mario Teta.

The minutes from the meeting of October 29, 2008 were unanimously approved with the removal of the words "No action taken" in the third to last paragraph.

The committee heard from Mario Teta regarding his experience with the small claims court.

Attorney Terry reported that the small group that reviewed proposed language regarding revisions to P.B. § 24-24 in regard to claims for services provided at a hospital was unable to reach agreement. Attorney Podolsky will attempt to rewrite subsection (e).

The subcommittee resumed discussion on the judgment checklist. The following language regarding the affidavit of debt was unanimously approved:

A non-generic affidavit of debt by original creditor or if original creditor not available, the affiant must identify self, their basis of knowledge, original account number, original creditor, amount of debt, original charge off balance or if balance not charged off, how it was calculated. If affiant is not an employee of the plaintiff, state the relationship with the plaintiff and the address of the affiant.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 2, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Submitted by Natalie Erickson  
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