

Legal Specialization Screening Committee Minutes

August 11, 2021 Meeting
Judicial Branch, Legal Services Unit
2:00pm

VIRTUAL MEETING VIA TEAMS

Members Participating: Attorney Rosemarie Paine (Chair), Attorney Jeffrey Low (Vice Chair), Attorney Robert Dwyer, Attorney Patrick Kennedy, Attorney Brian Henebry

Legal Specialization Screening Committee (LSSC) Staff participating: Attorney Denise Poncini

1. The Committee considered the minutes of the meeting held on April 27, 2021. The Committee unanimously voted to approve the minutes. Attorney Dwyer did not participate in this vote.
2. The Committee considered the American Board of Certification's renewal application to certify lawyers as specialists in Business Bankruptcy and Consumer Bankruptcy law. After brief discussion, the Committee unanimously approved that the following resolution be forwarded to the Rules Committee:

The Legal Specialization Screening Committee recommends that the Connecticut Bar Association be approved for recertification as a certifier in the specialty area of Workers' Compensation law, for a five year period, pursuant to its application dated February 19, 2021, because in the opinion of the Committee, it meets all of the criteria in the rules and as developed by the Committee to evaluate whether entities should be approved as certifiers, subject to the condition that, if approved, the applicant shall be required to notify promptly the Legal Specialization Screening Committee of any material changes in its methodology for certifying lawyers as specialists during the term of its approval.

3. The Committee considered the proposed revision of JD-ES-63, Application for Authority to Certify Lawyers as Specialists to add new Instruction #4 as follows:
 4. Any changes, deletions or additions to the prior application should be itemized in a separate document.

The Committee unanimously approved that the proposed revision be forwarded to the Rules Committee with the recommendation of the LSSC that the revision be approved by the Rules Committee.

4. The meeting adjourned at 2:14.

Respectfully Submitted,



Denise Poncini
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