

**Legal Specialization Screening Committee Minutes**

**August 15, 2016 Meeting  
Judicial Branch, Legal Services Unit  
100 Washington Street, Hartford, CT 06106  
Conference Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
2:00pm**

**VIA CONFERENCE PHONE CALL**

Members Participating: Attorney Salvatore DePiano (Chair), Attorney Jeffrey Low (Vice Chair), Attorney Rosemarie Paine, Attorney Patrick Kennedy  
Not participating: Attorney Robert Dwyer

LSSC Staff participating: Attorney Denise Poncini, Attorney Katharine Casaubon

1. The Committee deferred decision on the minutes of the meeting held on June 3, 2016 to a later meeting.
2. The Committee considered the American Board of Certification's renewal application to certify lawyers as specialists in Consumer and Business Bankruptcy law of the State of Connecticut. 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 American Board of Certification be approved for recertification as a certifier in the specialty areas of Business Bankruptcy law and Consumer Bankruptcy law pursuant to its application dated July 8, 2016, 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 meeting adjourned at 2:08.

Respectfully Submitted, -



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