## Washington Uniform Law Commission (WULC) Meeting Minutes February 10, 2016

Present: Marlin Appelwick (MA); Dennis Cooper (DC), chair; Kyle Thiessen (KT) Absent: Jamie Pedersen (JP); Michele Radosevich (MR); Anita Ramasastry (AR)

DC called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

**Minutes:** The commissioners plan to vote on approving the November 2015 minutes at the May meeting when they expect to have a quorum.

**Quorum:** DC proposed that any three commissioners should constitute a quorum and that the commissioners vote on this at the May meeting.

**Website:** KT will ask John Shiflett to create, at <u>http://leg.wa.gov/legislature/Pages/LegislativeAgencies.aspx</u>, a link to the WULC website, <u>http://ulc.wa.gov/</u>.

MA updated the table of uniform laws adopted by Washington State and emailed it to John Shiflett, but the email came back. KT will see that John gets the updated table.

**Legislative Report:** Earlier today JP emailed a legislative report to the other commissioners:

The Senate will be on the floor during our WULC call this afternoon, so I am unlikely to be able to join you. I did want to give you a quick update on the status of our bills:

SSB 6281 (athlete agents) has passed out of the Senate. I asked Rep. Kirby, who chairs House Business & Financial Services Committee, to schedule the bill for a hearing and he has scheduled it for next Tuesday. ESSB 5029 (digital assets) has passed out of the Senate. I will ask Rep. Jinkins (House Judiciary) to schedule the bill for a hearing.

SB 6361 (electronic legal materials) is on the Senate floor calendar (pulled from Rules in the first group). I'm hopeful that it will pass in the next couple of days.

SSB 5635 (power of attorney) is on the Senate floor calendar (pulled from Rules on Monday). I am hopeful that it will pass in the next couple of days.

I feel optimistic that any bill all of these bills that make it out of the Senate will pass out of the House and be signed by the Governor.

The only other bill that we introduced this year was common interest ownership (SB 5263), which continues to be the subject of controversy (at least with the chair of that committee, who is retiring from the Senate this year). I will try again next year.

KT stated that the code reviser's office has no serious objections to UELMA (SB 6361, electronic legal materials). They are already authenticating the codes using an inexpensive

certification document. KT mentioned that Kerry Radcliffe of the *Washington State Register* is a national leader in the area of electronic legal documents.

**Budget:** Debbie Deibert of the Code Reviser's Office receives an invoice for dues from the ULC in March. KT anticipates no trouble paying the dues or meeting other ULC expenses.

**Archiving Policy:** The commissioners would like guidance as to what documents should be archived; how long they should be kept; and whether documents can be archived electronically. MA noted that he had previously given some WULC documents to the Gallagher Law Library.

**Annual Meeting:** The commissioners recommended making hotel reservations early for the annual meeting in Vermont. The ULC registration email should be arriving in a few weeks.

DC adjourned the meeting at 4:40 PM.