Washington Uniform Law Commission (WULC)

November 14, 2012

Present: Marlin Appelwick (MA); John Cary (JC); Dennis Cooper (DC); Jamie Pedersen (JP); Kyle Thiessen (KT); absent: Anita Ramasastry (AR)

MA called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

Site Visit for the 2014 Uniform Law Commission (ULC) Annual Meeting in Seattle

Elizabeth Cotton and Harriet Lansing of the ULC will meet tomorrow at 6:00 PM at the Rainier Club with the commissioners except for JP (who is meeting with the ULC representatives tonight) and KT. They will discuss (1) raising $100,000 for the annual meeting; and (2) scheduling events and venues.

Code Reviser’s Budget for the Next Two Years

KT will submit the Code Reviser’s budget for the next two years (July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2015). The budget will ask for full funding of dues and travel for the WULC.

Legislative Report

JP joined the meeting at 4:23 PM and gave a legislative report.

Collaborative Law (drafted): Kathryn Leathers, WSBA legislative liaison, agrees with doing part of Collaborative Law by rule and part by law. The Court might look at the rules contingent on the legislature passing the bill; it could take time for the Court to act on the rules.

Correction of Defamation (drafted): JP plans to meet with people who want to push Correction of Defamation.

Uniform Commercial Code Article 4A (drafted): This article “seems to be on a fairly smooth path.” The code reviser’s office will re-number this article using the Washington State system and will write a broad title so they can join the states that chose the other option on Article 9.

Uniform Interstate Family Support (UIFSA) (drafted): The U.S. congress has not yet acted on UIFSA. The WULC will push UIFSA again during the next legislative session. If the senate committee has a different chair, this might speed things up.

Harmonized Uniform Business (HUB) Organization Code. The commissioners and stakeholders have agreed to look at HUB in 2014.

Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA): The legislature held a good work session on UETA.
Military and Overseas Voters (UMOVA) (drafted). This act might be introduced in 2013 or 2014.

Debt Management Services. A work session on this act will take place on November 30.

MA adjourned the meeting at 4:44 PM.