Washington Uniform Law Commission (WULC) Meeting Minutes May 25, 2022

This meeting was coordinated by the Code Reviser's Office (CRO), 415 15th Ave. SW, Olympia, WA, 98504, as a Zoom conference.

1. Call to Order/Attendance

Jamie Pedersen (JP) called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.

Commissioners in attendance: Chair Michele Radosevich (MR), Marlin Appelwick (MA), Kathy Buchli (KB), Dennis Cooper (DC), and Jamie Pedersen.

Commissioners absent: Anita Ramasastry (AR)

Lindsay Beaver (LB), Legislative Counsel for the national Uniform Law Commission and staff liaison for Washington, also attended the meeting.

The meeting was recorded by TVW.

2. Approval of Minutes of February 9, 2022, Meeting

MA made a motion, seconded by DC, to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2022, meeting. All in attendance voted to approve and the minutes were adopted.

3. Annual Dues/Fiscal Report

KB gave an overview of the commission's finances. The commissioners discussed current and upcoming expenses.

4. Legislative Report

LB explained the Uniform Law Commission's 2023 proposed legislative plan for Washington. LB provided an overview of target acts already enacted in Washington, nationally trending acts already enacted in Washington, and Washington-specific recommendations for enactment during 2023.

JP reported on, and the commissioners discussed, the status of acts currently being prepared for introduction during the 2023 legislative session. Those include the Uniform Family Law Arbitration Act; the Uniform Partition of Heirs Property Act; the Uniform Easement Relocation Act; the Uniform Civil Remedies for the Unauthorized Disclosure of Intimate Images Act; the Uniform Child Abduction Prevention Act; and proposed amendments to the Uniform Commercial Code regarding emerging technologies.

5. Commissioner Activities

KB is monitoring Uniform Law Commission bill drafts in the office, working on updating the website, and is an observer to the Uniform Health Care Decisions Act.

DC continues to serve on the Parliamentary Practice Committee which is working to assign parliamentarians and backups for meetings.

MA is attending Zoom drafting sessions before the annual NULC meeting and discussed retaining a person to assist in updating the WULC's published history.

JP attended a legislative council meeting in Chicago and now serves as the liaison to Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Alaska. He will also attend an upcoming enactment committee meeting for the Parentage Act and is working with several states, including Oregon, on enacting the Parentage Act. He is also helping KB update the website.

Chair MR is working on getting the Telehealth Act through the annual NULC meeting.

6. Annual Meeting Plans

The commissioners discussed plans for the upcoming annual NULC meeting. All pre-expense travel reports are completed.

7. WULC Website

A discussion took place regarding the WULC website, including history, different ways of grouping the acts, and usability.

8. Other Business

There was no other business to discuss.

9. Adjournment

Chair MR adjourned the meeting at 5:05 PM.