



The State Bar of California

Alternative Dispute Resolution Certification Working Group Teleconference

Open Session Minutes
Thursday, March 19, 2025
2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

Time Meeting Commenced: 2:01 p.m.
Time Meeting Adjourned: 4:59 p.m.
Chair: Judge Risë Pichon
Committee Coordinator: Erika Doherty
Members Present: Nolan Armstrong, Claudia Coulter, Dana Curtis, Steven Dinkin, Paul Dubow, Jenna Ellis, Dr. Jack Goetz, Dario Higuchi, Sara Hodgson, Katy Jones, Ron Kelly, Jill Kopeikin, Diana Kruze, Kimberly Lowe, Cliff Palefsky, Hon. Risë Pichon, Mattie Robertson, Eric Tuchmann, Christopher Welch, Daniel Yamshon
Members Absent: Hon. Jackson Lucky
Staff Present: Erika Doherty, Angela Marlaud, Alan Wiener

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1. Call to Order
The Alternative Dispute Resolution Certification Working Group was called to order by Chair Pichon.
2. Roll Call
Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.
3. Member and Staff Introductions
4. Call for Public Comment
Chair Pichon called for public comment, inquiring as to whether there were person(s) who wished to comment on any agenda item.

There were no members of the public who wished to speak on any agenda item.

5. Report of the Chair
No report

Approval of Open Session Minutes: February 12, 2025

Moved by Kruze and seconded by Curtis.

Ayes – (1) Armstrong, Coulter, Curtis, Dinkin, Ellis, Goetz, Higuchi, Jones, Kopeikin, Loew, Palefsky, Robertson, Tuchmann, Welch, Yamshon, Pichon

Noes – (1) Kelly

Abstain – (1) Kruze

Absent – (3) Dubow, Hodgson, Lucky

Motion carries.

Business

2.1 Discussion Regarding Areas of Focus for Working Group Consideration

No recommendation. Discussion only.

2.5 Report and Discussion of Complaints and Remedies Subgroup

No recommendation. Discussion only.

2.4 Report and Discussion of Baseline Certification for Mediators Subgroup

No recommendation. Discussion only.

2.3 Report and Discussion of Baseline Certification for Arbitrators Subgroup

No recommendation. Discussion only.

2.4 and 2.5 Alignment of Baseline Qualifications

No recommendation. Discussion only.

2.2 Presentation: Other ADR Processes

No recommendation. Discussion only.

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