

**ALABAMA STATE BAR
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

**Alabama State Bar
415 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104**

Thursday, October 26, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

President Brannon Buck convened the meeting of the Alabama State Bar Executive Council at 4:03 p.m. at the Alabama State Bar building at 415 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary took the roll of the members and the following were present:

Brannon Buck (President)
Felicia Long (Vice President)
Tom Perry (President-Elect)
Chris Driver (YLS President)
Mark Boardman (Parliamentarian)
Raymond Bell
Josh Hayes
John Smyth
Gibson Vance (Past President)
Terri Lovell (Executive Director)
Roman Shaul (General Counsel)

The following members were absent:

Sam Ford (ALA President)

QUORUM PRESENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 27, 2023, BY FELICIA LONG,
SECONDED BY RAYMOND BELL, AND APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 5, 2023

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 5, 2023, EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING RETREAT MADE BY JOSH HAYES, SECONDED BY FELICIA LONG, APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Brannon Buck highlighted the many activities since the previous Executive Council meeting to include the Admissions Ceremony, Pro Bono participation, AI developments, preparation for the November OutREACH events in Brewton, Jasper, and Rainsville, and his participation at the Federal Bar CLE. Buck asked for members input on the Bar Leadership Summit scheduled for January. He thanked Felicia Long and Josh Hayes for their leadership on the Justice for All initiative and all the members for their support on the Choose Civility initiative and other committee and task force projects. He concluded by sharing highlights from the recent Southern Conference of Bar Presidents meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Terri Lovell provided an update on the membership database implementation, the continuation of 5-hours of free counseling, VLP activities during Pro Bono month, the NCBE meeting scheduled for November 3rd, and the Fred Gray Courtyard project. She provided an update on the building repairs related to the electrical issues and provided a report on staff activities.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

General Counsel Roman Shaul reported that the proposed change Rule II of the Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar will require admittees who have successfully passed the Alabama Bar Exam to complete the Alabama Online Course within 60 days of admission or be subjected to a assessment equivalent to the cost of an annual license. He informed the members that the Supreme Court had approved the list of nominees to fill vacancies on the Disciplinary Board and would be an action item at the BBC meeting the next day. Shaul discussed the proposed change to MCLE Rule 2.C.2 clarifying that administrative hearing officers must also complete the 12 hours CLE requirement like the judicial requirement.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL REPORTS

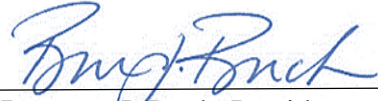
Vice President Felicia Long reported on the actions of the Justice for All Task Force and John Smyth provided a report on The Alabama Lawyer Review Task Force.

AMENDMENTS TO BBC AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 27, 2023

The agenda for the October 27, 2023, Board of Bar Commissioners meeting was approved by roll call vote.

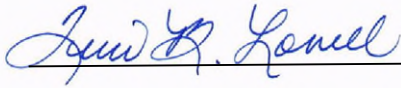
ADJOURNMENT

President Buck thanked the members for their attendance and there being no further business before the Executive Council, the meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.



Brannon J. Buck, President
Alabama State Bar Foundation

ATTEST:



Terri B. Lovell, Secretary
Alabama State Bar