

**THE NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION**  
**COMMERCIAL & FEDERAL LITIGATION SECTION**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Commercial & Federal Litigation Section held in accordance with the rules of the New York State Bar Association on Tuesday, August 8, 2017.

**Members Participating by Phone:**

Mitch Katz, Chair

Robert Holtzman, Chair-Elect

Laurel Kretzing, Vice-Chair

Sandra Rampersaud, Treasurer

Jamie Sinclair, Secretary

Theresa M. Bennett

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Stephen T. Roberts

Jay G. Safer

Paul D. Sarkozi

Natasha Shishov

James M. Wicks

*\*indicates non-executive committee member*

*\*\* indicates guest speaker for the meeting*

The meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m. Chair-Elect Robert Holtzman called the meeting to order and presided over the meeting, as Section Chair Mitch Katz has determined that he will not preside over Section discussions concerning proposed Commercial Division rules.

**Draft Report re: the Proposed Amendment to the Rules of the Commercial Division to Include a Sample Choice of Law Clause for Use in Commercial Courts**

The Draft Report of the Commercial Division Committee was introduced and discussed by the Co-Chairs of the Committee. After a brief period of discussion, the Report was passed unanimously.

**Draft Report re: Proposed Model Status Conference Stipulation and Order Form for Use in the Commercial Division**

The Draft Report of the Commercial Division Committee was introduced and discussed by the Co-Chairs of the Committee. After a brief period of discussion, the Report was passed unanimously.

The meeting concluded at approximately 6:30 p.m.