

**NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
ENTERTAINMENT, ARTS & SPORTS LAW SECTION**

Executive Committee Luncheon In-Person/Virtual Meeting – (Thursday) January 19th, 2023, at 11:30 AM

**New York Hilton Midtown
1335 6th Ave
New York, NY 10019
Bryant on 2nd Floor**

Phone in Meeting Information:

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then use Meeting ID: 965 9363 7055**

Attending via Zoom: Anne Atkinson, Judith Bass, Joan S. Faier, Donna Frosco, Les Greenbaum, Kathy Kim, Bennett Liebman, Merissa Pico, Judah Shapiro

Attending in Person: Jason Baruch, Ethan Bordman, Brian Caplan, Isaro Carter, Avita Delerme, Ezra Doner, Elissa Hecker, Marc Jacobson, Paul LiCalsi, Pam Lester, Judith Prowda, Jill Pilgrim, Steve Rodman, Larry Sapadin, Bob Seigel, Barry Skidelsky, Carol Steinberg, Rosemarie Tully, Barry Werbin, Sharmin Woodall

1. Approval of December 2022 Meeting Minutes – Isaro Carter, Secretary; Ethan Bordman, Chair; Christine-Marie Lauture, Asst. Secretary

The EC unanimously approved the December EASL Minutes. Judy Bass asked whether the executive committee meeting on January 4th would have minutes distributed. It was confirmed that the minutes are being written up.

2. EASL Journal status (Elissa Hecker)

Elissa Hecker reported that the latest issue is almost done. The deadline for the summer issue isn't set in stone yet. Elissa urged committee chairs to encourage their members to contribute to the next issue.

3. Financial Report (Judah Shapiro, Treasurer)

Judah Shapiro reported that we still have a surplus of over \$100K; we anticipate having more regular activity, so it will likely go down. Judah also reported that Albany approved the budget.

Judah informed the EC that the most considerable expense would be the publications & again, money will be spent, but thankfully, we have it. Ethan Bordman also mentioned that some money is coming in from the membership dues. It was also noted that those who don't renew by April would be dropped from our Membership.

Barry Skidelsky inquired about the number of members as of Dec 31st. Judah didn't have that info on hand but said he'd give Barry a call about it. Ethan asked Judah how much money is allocated to each committee, as the Law Student Committee wanted to know. Judah responded that \$750 is given to each group. Kathy Kim interjected to recommend that we double-check to be sure this amount was accurate.

4. Committee/Program Reports/Updates (ad hoc)

- Cowan/Bresler Scholarship Committee – Kajon Pompey and Aniq Chowdhury – Congratulations, Winners!
 - Kajon & Aniq were not present at this EASL EC meeting, but Ethan reported that they would be present at our section’s annual meeting to receive their EASL Scholarship awards. These two winners were from St. Johns and Fordham Law Schools, respectively. Ethan thanked our scholarship committee chairs for the great job they did, noting that this year we had 16 papers from 8 different law schools.
- Sponsorship Committee
 - Judy Bass reported that Herrick was a sponsor, and Dorsey was a reception sponsor. She suggested that next year there should be accessibility sponsors.
- Welcome to Ezra Doner – new co-chair of the Digital Entertainment, Television, and Radio Committee
 - At this juncture, everyone went around the room to introduce themselves to Ezra (including our members attending virtually).
- Appraising Fine Art – Thursday, December 8th 2022 – Non-CLE – 1pm – 1:45pm -Virtual Event sponsored by the Fine Arts Committee – Judith Prowda
 - Judith Prowda reported that the event was great. There was a large turnout, and many questions, and they even had an independent appraiser speak.
- Fine Arts Committee
 - Carol Steinberg reported that the committee is planning a program with NYFA (and co-sponsoring with the Pro Bono committee & the Literary Works and Related Rights Committee) on the CASE Act; Judith P. mentioned that they were planning another program on AI & Fine Art.

5. Other Initiatives and New Business

- EASL By-Laws – Thank you to EASL members for their time and input.
 - Ethan thanked the Bylaw Committee by name. Ethan reminded the EC that in the following meeting with the wider EASL membership, the Bylaws would be brought to a vote for approval (or not). Amongst the EC, the bylaws passed unanimously.
- EASL Mentorship Program
 - Kristin Paradisis will be heading this program & we will have an update at the next EC meeting.
- EASL Blog
 - Elissa Hecker was happy to report that the blog is back up and running after over eight months! There are currently two posts.
- House of Delegates – Future Meetings:
 - Friday, January 20th, 2023 (tomorrow, Barry Skidelsky will be in attendance) – New York Hilton Midtown – In-Person or Virtual
 - Saturday, April 1st, 2023 – NYSBA Bar Center – In-Person or Virtual
 - Saturday, June 10, 2023 – The Otesega Resort Hotel – In Person or Virtual

Saturday, November 4th, 2023 – NYSBA Bar Center – In-Person or Virtual

- February 9th, 2023, 11am – Hybrid Distribution – Motion Picture Committee
 - Larry Sapadin and Bob Seigel gave a brief overview of Hybrid Distribution and what the panel discussion will entail.
- February 16th, 2023 – “What Entertainment Attorneys Need to Know about Matrimonial Law and Estate Planning” at 120 W 45th Street, Second Floor Conference Room
 - Ethan Bordman reported that his event would be postponed to March or April, and there will be an update in the next EC meeting.
 - Judy Bass had a question about this program because we haven’t done programs outside of our committees in the past. Ethan let us all know that a PR company reached out looking to do a panel with EASL. His understanding is that that firm would be covering the expenses. It would be a CLE program, in-person as well. Jill Pilgrim mentioned making sure an EASL member is on the panel.
- *Talent Agencies Act of New York* – Approved by NYSBA
 - Ethan reported that NYSBA had approved the EASL report recommending legislative action drafted by the Legislative Committee (previously circulated to the EC for approval). The next steps are for NYSBA (specifically Leanne Evans, NYSBA’s Government Relations Policy Manager) to submit the proposal to the NY State Assembly (Bill Drafting Commission).
- Theatre Committee –
 - Jason Baruch updated us on a program on March 8th that his committee has planned with the Dramatists Guild. The publicity will be going out in the next week.
 - Jason also reported that the CTI Program is effectively discontinued. Still, the committee is reworking a new program that allows for a program every three months instead of an 8-hour program over two nights. Not a hybrid event; it is in person.
- Annual Meeting 2023 – **HYBRID – Thursday, January 19, 2023**
- Annual Meeting Program 1:00pm – 5:30pm
 - “Approaches to Negotiation in Sports, Entertainment and Other Universes.”
Program Co-Chair: Pam Lester (EASL Sports Committee Co-Chair)
Program Co-Chair: Jill Pilgrim (EASL Sports Committee Co-Chair)
Speakers: Gary Noesner (Retired FBI Agent and Chief Hostage Negotiator)
Arthur McAfee (NFL SVP of Football Operations)
Daniel Etna (Partner, Co-Chair of Sports Law Group, Herrick)
Maggie Ntim (Founder and International Sports Agent, Trinity 3 Agency)
 - Ethn reported that Gary Noesner would be joining us via Zoom. He also mentioned that Lonnie Murray couldn’t be with us today, but they are in talks to have her on a separate panel later this year.
 - “Ethics in Negotiating in Entertainment, Sports and other Universes.”
Program Chair: Ethan Bordman (EASL Section Chair)
Speakers: Devika Kewalramani (Partner: Moses Singer)

Carla Varriale-Barker (Partner, Segal McCambridge, Professor of Sports Law and Ethics Columbia University)

- “Regulation of Social Media and Online Content”
Program Chair: Barry Skidelsky, Esq. (former EASL Chair)
Speakers: Carl Szabo, Esq. (Vice President & General Counsel at Net Choice)
Scott Wilkens, Esq. (Senior Counsel at Knight First Amendment Institute
at Columbia University)
Ronnie London (General Counsel at Foundation for Individual Rights and Expression)

6. Chair’s Remarks

Ethan thanked everyone for their hard work on the Annual Meeting Programs, the sponsorship coordination, and for being present for this meeting. He urged committee chairs to start talking to their committees about programs & planning them. Ethan concluded by letting us know that the next meeting will be virtual, and a few others will not be; there will be an update at the next meeting on which meetings will be virtual and in-person.

7. Dates of Future EC Meetings – Save the Date:

Future Meeting Dates – Wednesdays 12:30pm – 2pm 2023

February 1st, 2023	July & August – NO Meeting
March 1st, 2023	September 6 th , 2023
April 5th, 2023	October 4 th , 2023
May 3rd, 2023	November 1 st , 2023
June 7th, 2023	December 6 th , 2023

8. Adjournment - The EC meeting was adjourned at 12:31pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Isaro Carter