

**NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
REMOTE MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2023**

Present: Gregory K. Arenson, Simeon H. Baum, David Louis Cohen, Orin J. Cohen, Sarah E. Gold, LaMarr J. Jackson, Elena DeFio Kean, Sherry Levin Wallach, Richard C. Lewis, Michael A. Marinaccio, Thomas J. Maroney, Michael R. May, Michael J. McNamara, Ronald S. Minkoff, Domenick Napoletano, Mirna M. Santiago, Diana S. Sen, Lauren E. Sharkey, Kathleen M. Sweet, Pauline Yeung-Ha

Guest: Margaret J. Finerty

Ms. Levin Wallach presided over the meeting as President of the Association.

1. Ms. Levin Wallach called the meeting to order.
2. Consent Calendar
 - A) Approval of Mission Statement of Working Group on Facial Recognition Technology and Access to Legal Representation
 - B) Disbandment of Special Committee on Association Structure and Operations

The consent calendar, consisting of the items above, was approved.

3. Support of ABA Resolution 501. Ms. Levin Wallach presented on ABA Resolution 501, which urges the American Bar Association to adopt the report of the ABA Criminal Justice Section's Women in Criminal Justice Task Force on ten principles to advance the goal of gender equity among employers, institutions, and people who are part of the criminal legal profession. After discussion, a motion was unanimously adopted that the New York State Bar Association support the Resolution at the ABA 2023 Midyear Meeting.
4. Support of ABA Resolution 603. Margaret J. Finerty, co-chair of the former Task Force on Mass Shootings and Assault Weapons and member of the ABA Standing Committee on Gun Violence, presented on ABA Resolution 603, which urges federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to enact statutes, rules and regulations that would make it unlawful for any person, other than law enforcement, to possess firearms on property owned, operated, or controlled by any public or private institute of higher education; and in states that do not make it unlawful for any person, other than law enforcement, to possess firearms on property owned, operated, or controlled by any public institute of higher education, authorize such institutions of higher education to restrict or regulate the concealed or open carry of firearms on their campuses. After discussion, a motion was adopted that the New York State Bar Association support the Resolution at the ABA 2023 Midyear Meeting. Ms. DeFio Kean and Mr. Lewis abstained from the vote.

5. Discussion on ABA Resolution 514. Ms. Levin Wallach presented ABA Resolution 514 concerning actions to condemn and eliminate antisemitism. No formal action was taken concerning the Resolution.
6. New Business. Messrs. Lewis and Napoletano reported on NY Executive Law Section 135-c, which authorizes notaries to perform electronic notarial acts by registering with the Department of State and complying with new rules, and regulations promulgated by the Department of State which require that all notaries keep a journal of each notarization for a decade, and mandate that notaries who perform their jobs online using communications software maintain audio and video records for ten years.
7. Date and place of next meeting. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will take place on Friday, March 31, 2023, in person at the Bar Center in Albany, with an option for remote participation via Zoom.
8. Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting of the Executive Committee was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Taa R. Grays".

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Secretary