

Minutes of the Columbia Chapter of the South Carolina Roster Administrators
Meeting Date: Tuesday September 29th, 2009

Location: Law Office of Daryl G. Hawkins, LLC
1331 Elmwood Avenue
Suite 305
Columbia, SC

Hosts: Kim Harbison and Jay-Jay Flanagan-Grannemann

Attendees:

1. Laurie Jennings, Nelson Mullins, Laurie.Jennings@nelsonmullins.com
2. Jay-Jay Flanagan-Grannemann, Law Office of Daryl G. Hawkins, LLC, JayJay@dghlaw.net
3. Michael J. Cerkez, Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd (HSB), MCerkez@hsblawfirm.com
4. Kim Harbison, Law Office of Daryl G. Hawkins, LLC, kharbison@dghlaw.net
5. Sharon Hyland, Nexsen Pruet, shyland@nexsenpruet.com

Due to the President's conflicting commitments on the originally-scheduled date, this meeting was moved from September 15th to September 29th with the approval of participating members.

Laurie called the meeting to order shortly after 1:15 after everyone had an opportunity to prepare lunch. She asked if anyone had any corrections or additions for last month's minutes; there were none.

A brief recap of the prior meeting's discussion regarding a website and historical information to be posted thereon was undertaken. Kim believes we can get an address substantially similar to www.scrosteradministrators.org once we are incorporated. Laurie expressed her goal of getting the incorporation papers filed before the next meeting. She will review the materials Kim provided after the last meeting (which included model Bylaws and IRS 501(c)(3) filings, which we probably don't need right away) and seek out assistance from the other officers as needed. Once we are incorporated, Kim will procure the domain and begin preparation of the website, for which Jay-Jay will provide the prior meetings' minutes (including attachments).

Discussion of recent SCRA email blasts sent while Laurie was out of the office ensued. It has become evident that some of our members are not reading these minutes; it was suggested that a small prize be offered to the first non-attendee who emails the secretary to affirm that they have read this month's minutes. Jay-Jay agreed to the suggestion.

This month's tip is to check the Lexington County trial rosters more frequently than you might check other counties, as the Clerk's office has been scheduling cases for trial with only 9-10 days' notice lately.

Kim stated that she has received no response to her inquiries to the current President of the South Carolina Clerks of Court and Registers of Deeds Association (<http://www.scccrod.org>) (SCCCROD), York County Clerk of Court David Hamilton, regarding the status of our request for representatives of SCRA to either attend their fall meeting or speak there. As that meeting was imminent at the time of our meeting, it was apparent that our request had not been approved. It was suggested that each SCRA member who speaks with a Clerk's office in the next few months should mention our group's desire to attend the spring SCCCROD meeting and develop a relationship with the folks in the Clerk's office responsible for roster duties. The idea is to get them to put a bug in their bosses' ears about our continuing desire to meet in hopes that SCCCROD will agree to our proposal for the spring meeting.

Michael demonstrated his procedures for combining all of a county's posted rosters using Adobe's "combine" function so that the redacting plug-in only needs to run 1 search for each county each time he checks that county's rosters. In earlier versions of Adobe (6 and lower, attendees believed), the function is called "add files" rather than "combine," but it works the same way.

We discussed the drastic changes to the Beaufort County roster webpages and the recent server error issues for the Master-in-Equity's December 31st trial roster there; Sharon was told that this is not a true roster, and that cases will not be called from it, so it apparently is just a placeholder roster for the Master's staff to keep their caseload in order. Laurie confirmed that she received similar information.

Election discussions ensued. Michael and Laurie will each be running for the other's position. Jay-Jay asked if anyone wanted to run for her position; there were no volunteers, so she agreed to run again if no one else expresses interest in taking over as Secretary.

Our next meeting is scheduled for October 20th, 2009, at Nelson Mullins with Laurie as host. This will be our annual business meeting with elections. Please plan to attend and vote for our new officers. If you would like more information on any of the duties your current officers have been performing, please contact those officers directly. The November meeting is scheduled for Nexsen Pruet; the December meeting may be held at Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd pending management approval.

We are still seeking other locations for future meetings. Remember: lunch does *not* need to be provided; we just need a conference room, but would prefer to have a computer, Internet hookup, screen, and teleconference capability if possible. Please contact Laurie at the email address above if you are interested in hosting a future meeting. Thanks!

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay-Jay Flanagan-Grannemann

Secretary

South Carolina Rosters Administrators, Columbia Chapter

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