

Minutes of the South Carolina Roster Administrators
Meeting Date: Tuesday August 17th, 2010

Location: McAngus Goudelock & Courie, LLC
700 Gervais Street
Suite 300
Columbia, SC
Host: Tometta Johnson

Attendees:

1. Laurie Jennings, Nelson Mullins, Laurie.Jennings@nelsonmullins.com
2. Jay-Jay Flanagan-Grannemann, McWhirter, Bellinger & Associates, PA (MBA), jayjay1971@gmail.com
3. Sharon P. Hyland, Nexsen Pruet, SHyland@nexsenpruet.com
4. Tometta Johnson, McAngus Goudelock & Courie, LLC (MGC), tometta.johnson@mgclaw.com
5. Jessi Dickerson, MGC, jessi.dickerson@mgclaw.com
6. Crystal Kazmierski, Rogers Townsend & Thomas, PC (RTT), ckazmierski@rtt-law.com
7. Carrie Hurley, RTT, churley@rtt-law.com

By Phone:

8. Suzanne Ponder, Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, PA (HSB), sponder@hsblawfirm.com

Laurie called the meeting to order at approximately 1:03 p.m. We welcomed three members attending their first meeting and proceeded with introductions all around.

Sharon advised that Julie Colgan, who is a member of SCRA but also a member of Nexsen Pruet's administration, had made contact with David Hamilton, the President of SCCCROD, regarding the status of our proposal from last summer to present at one of their meetings in an attempt to establish a relationship with the Clerks of Court. Apparently Mr. Hamilton attends a monthly meeting at Nexsen Pruet here in Columbia for another organization with which he is involved; he was going to meet with Julie, Sharon, and Laurie the day prior to our meeting, but his other meeting at Nexsen Pruet was cancelled, so they hope to arrange a meeting with him in September instead.

Mr. Hamilton advised Julie that SCCCROD formed a CMS Committee at its May 2010 meeting; 6 Clerks of Court will be appointed to that Committee. Julie also received an email from the Clarendon County Clerk of Court, who has expressed interest in meeting with us. Hopefully we will be able to begin working with the new CMS Committee soon to accomplish the many goals we have discussed since the formation of SCRA!

Jay-Jay reported that Diana Smith of *Carolina Paralegal News (CPN)* apologized for not including our information in the association news section of the June issue as promised; they had server issues and actually published old information without any updates. Diana assured Jay-Jay that news of our annual elections meeting (on October 19th, 2010) will be included in the next issue of *CPN*, which will be published on September 27th, as the paper is returning to a bimonthly schedule.

Laurie advised that she had received no further comments on the website since the last meeting. We hope to hear more from our members as they have more time to review the site. Laurie announced that updates to the website have been made on the county roster links page; the officers recently met with Kim Harbison, our webmaster, to ensure that all the links are up to date and uniform. The few counties that still use the old Motions tab are now noted as well. If you find any inconsistencies or broken or outdated links, please notify the officers immediately so that corrections may be made. Laurie will be sending another website announcement email to let everyone know about the recent updates.

Sharon is working on updating Laurie's old chart of contact information for all the counties' roster personnel and the backdoor website URLs. **If anyone has a WORD copy of Laurie's 06/03/2009 chart, please email it to Sharon.**

Laurie volunteered to call the Supreme Court IT Department to again attempt to establish contact with someone there to whom we can address our questions and concerns regarding the CMS.

Laurie stated that more than half of the membership has responded positively regarding having their contact information, including firm affiliation, email address, phone number, and mailing address, posted on the website; we are still waiting to hear from a few folks. **Even if your answer is no, we need a response from you; if you have not already emailed Laurie your answer, please do so today.** Some members were awaiting approval of the proposal from their firms; hopefully enough time has passed for that to have been obtained.

We discussed issues members have had with various counties of late, including one county which stated that it was unable to add attorneys to the Public Index and another which told a member it couldn't post changes to rosters after their initial posting to the web. These training and standardization issues continue to arise regularly, which is why we continue to seek relationships with the Supreme Court IT Department and the various Clerks of Court.

Also, one member recently used the redundancies available with CMS to ensure a case on a roster was not missed; when she did not see a case she expected on a roster, she used the Public Index to search for the case; the roster notice appeared there, but there weren't any attorneys listed for either of the parties, which is why her normal Adobe plugin search did not highlight the case on the roster.

Dorchester County is out of space to list Motions rosters; Sharon volunteered to call the non-jury contact to ask her to delete the rosters that passed many months ago, as we can no longer see the new rosters because the arrow buttons don't work. Crystal stated that she gets to the new rosters by specifying a more recent Begin Date. This is a great tip for everyone! At the time of this writing, there is a Motions roster for November 2010 that you cannot locate any other way.

Our next meeting is scheduled for September 21st, 2010 and will be held at Ellis Lawhorne & Sims, P.A. with Sheila Woodward as host; the November 16th, 2010 meeting will be at the Law Office of Daryl G. Hawkins, LLC with Kim Harbison and Sheri Neely as hosts.

We are still seeking other locations for future meetings, including our October 19th, 2010 meeting, at which elections will be held. 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 2:00 p.m., though the officers stayed to discuss the Adobe redacting plugin and other issues with our first-time meeting attendees.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay-Jay Flanagan-Grannemann

Secretary
South Carolina Rosters Administrators
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