Tennessee Board of Court Reporting

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Official Meeting Minutes November 21, 2009

The Tennessee Board of Court Reporting met for the first time on Saturday, November 21, 2009, in order to conduct board business. The meeting was held in the Administrative Office of the Courts, Nashville, TN. Public notice was given in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Members present were Earl Houston, Bill Killian, Ken Mansfield, Jimmie Jane McConnell, Sheila Staggs & Ginger Truesdel. Also present, Aaron Conklin, David Haines, and Debbie Hayes with the Administrative Office of the Courts. Members of the public in attendance were Don Baltimore, Laurel Eiler and Trish Smith.

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Aaron Conklin with a quorum present.

Mr. Conklin announced the resignation of Chancellor Russell Perkins from the board. Chancellor Perkins stated in his letter of resignation he thought it was best not to serve on the Board given that appeals from the Board will come to the Chancery Court of Davidson County. The Governors staff will meet in mid December to appoint board vacancies.

A motion was made by Bill Killian to elect Jimmie Jane McConnell as Chair of the Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Ginger Truesdel to elect Ken Mansfield as Vice Chair of the Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Sheila Staggs to elect Ginger Truesdel as Secretary of the Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Ken Mansfield to adopt the Alabama Rules and Regulations for the Tennessee Board of Court Reporting with modifications to be determined and discussed during the remainder of this meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. See Exhibit A

The board discussed amendments to Alabama Rules to be adopted in the final proposed rules.

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At 12:05 p.m. the Chair announced the Board would take a short break for lunch.

At 12:25 p.m. the Chair reconvened the meeting.

The Board appointed a sub-committee of Ken Mansfield, Earl Houston & Ginger Truesdel. This sub-committee will bring before the board format standards for the board to consider for adoption.

The Board will look at their calendars for a possible meeting the week of December 14, 2009 to vote on the final changes/additions to the Rules & Regulations once a final draft is complete. Drafts of the final proposed rules will be distributed for review prior to the December meeting.

With no further business, Jimmie Jane McConnell adjourned the meeting at 1:05 p.m.