

**MINUTES OF THE NORTHAMPTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY ASSOCIATION MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**

The September Quarterly Association Meeting of the Northampton County Bar Association was held on Thursday, September 12, 2019, at the Lehigh Valley Hotel Conference Center, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM

The September Quarterly Association Meeting of the Northampton County Bar Association scheduled for Thursday, September 12, 2019, was called to order by President Lisa Spitale at 6:04 p.m. A quorum was present at the time the meeting was called to order. The following officers of the NCBA were present when the meeting was called to order:

Lisa Spitale, President
Robert Eyer, President-Elect
Maura Zajac McGuire, Vice President
Daniel O'Donnell, Past President

Executive Director Mary Beth Leeson was also in attendance.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the March Quarterly Association Meeting of May 9, 2019 were distributed and reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Member Greg Reed and was seconded by Member Richard Eugene Santee. The motion was approved unanimously by the members in attendance at the meeting.

III. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

The following proposed new members appeared at the meeting for admission into membership of the NCBA:

Dina Brilliant, Esq. (Sponsored by Maura McGuire and Lisa Spitale)
Anthony Giovannini, Jr., Esq. (Sponsored by David J. Ceraul and Erika Farkas)

James L. Heidecker, Jr. Esq. (Sponsored by Bohdan Zelechiwsky and Steven Hoffman)
John P. Karoly, III, Esq. (Sponsored by Bohdan Zelechiwsky and Steven Hoffman)
Joshua E. Karoly, Esq. (Sponsored by Bohdan Zelechiwsky and Steven Hoffman)
Glenn C. Neiman, Esq. (Sponsored by Maura McGuire and Lisa Spitale)
Christina Cara McIntyre, Esq. (Sponsored by Lisa Spitale and Robert Eyer)
Sarah Kathleen Powell, Esq. (Sponsored by Gail Weiner Shearer and Irene Montero-Harris)
Rebecca J. Price, Esq. (Sponsored by Emil Giordano and Edward J. Easterly)

After introduction of the proposed new members, a motion was made by Member Greg Reed and seconded by Member Nicholas Noel to admit the above-listed attorneys into membership in the NCBA. The motion was unanimously approved by the members in attendance at the meeting and all proposed new members were accepted into membership of the NCBA.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Memorial Service

The Annual Memorial Service will be held on Tuesday, September 17th at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom 1. The following members whom we have lost this past year will be remembered:

George M. Baurkot, Esquire
Paul A. Florenz, Esquire
Harold J. Funt, Esquire
Robert H. Littner, Esquire
Walter Morrissey, Esquire
Eric Shimer, Esquire
Charles A. Wilkinson, Esquire

B. Amicus Soiree

The Amicus Soiree will be held on October 11, 2019 at Martin Guitar in Nazareth. All are encouraged to attend.

C. Donut Day and “Love Your Lawyer Day”

All Members are invited to stop in the jury lounge for donuts and coffee at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, November 1st to celebrate National “Love your Layer Day”.

D. Calendar

Members are encouraged to review the upcoming event on the reverse side of the Agenda. Participation is encouraged.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

None

VI. TREASURER’S REPORT

President Elect Eyer presented the Treasurer’s Report, which previously had been circulated for review by members in attendance. Eyer announced the total balance of all accounts as of August 31, 2019 to be: \$1,354,018.46. The Treasurer’s Report was accepted for audit.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Foundation

Member Gail Shearer reported on the success of the Foundation’s first event, which brought many members and guests to Steel Stacks for a presentation by former Philadelphia Eagle David Ackers and a silent auction.

B. YLD- Holiday Hope Chest

Member David Ceraul encouraged Members to make donations for the annual Holiday Hope Chest Project. This project traditionally has been very successful and is appreciated by children in need who receive “shoe boxes” with Holiday gifts.

C. YLD-Stand Down

Member Rebecca Kulik described the YLD’s “Stand Down” project, which provides assistance to Veterans in Northampton County. Members are encouraged to volunteer their time and/or make a donation to this worthy cause.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Book Buddies

Member Ellen Kraft reported on the continued success of the Book Buddies Reading Program. Members are encouraged to volunteer to participate.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None

X. BARRISTERS' BOAST AND OPEN FORUM

A. Barristers' Boast

Member Keene Jabbour gave a heart-warming tribute to Member William Murphy. Attorney Murphy is retiring and, along with his wife, is moving out of the area to be with family. The tribute included details of Attorney Murphy's many years of service to the community. All Members gave Attorney Murphy a standing ovation and wished him well.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Member Barbara Hollenbach and seconded by Member Joel Scheer. The motion was unanimously approved by the members in attendance at the meeting and the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Maura Z. McGuire

Maura Zajac McGuire, Vice President