Annual Meeting of the Washington State Bar Association Preface

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PREFACE

The Annual Meeting of the Washington State Bar Association was convened in Yakima on September 8 through 10, 1960. The Association of Superior Court Judges and State Judicial Council also convened for their meeting at the same time.

We are setting forth herein the program held in conjunction with the annual meeting. The legal institutes were prepared and conducted by the State Bar Association's Committee on Continuing Legal Education, Charles F. Osborn, Chairman.

The proceedings which immediately follow the program are only those of the annual business meeting of the State Bar Association.

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PROGRAM

ANNUAL MEETING
of the
WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Chinook Hotel
Yakima, Washington

Wednesday, September 7, 1960

A.M.
9:00 Meeting of the Board of Governors

P.M.
1:00 Registration

Thursday, September 8, 1960

A.M.
9:00 Registration
10:00 Legal Institute

LAW OFFICE MANAGEMENT—EFFECTIVE WORK PROCEDURES
Chairman: E. Frederick Velikanje, Yakima

Speakers: Panel Discussion
Lowell P. Mickelwait, Seattle
Emmett E. McInnis, Jr., Seattle
Herman H. Hahner, Walla Walla
Evans C. Bunker, Colfax

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12:00 Joint Luncheon of Judges and Lawyers
   Toastmaster: Grant Armstrong, Member, Board of Governors, Chehalis
   Speaker: The Honorable Philbrick McCoy, Judge of the Superior Court,
   Los Angeles, California
   Report of Superior Court Judges Association—Honorable Lloyd Shorett,
   President, Superior Court Judges Association

P.M.
2:00 Legal Institutes
1. Water Rights
   Chairman: Kermit M. Rudolf, Spokane
   Speakers:
   Kermit M. Rudolf, Spokane—Water Right Law for the General Practitioner—Part I
   John A. Westland, Jr., Kennewick—Water Right Law for the General Practitioner—Part II
   Paul Lemargie, Ephrata—Current Problems Arising from the Columbia Basin Project Development and Its Administration
   Ralph W. Johnson, Seattle—International and Interstate Aspects of Water Law

2. Real Estate Transactions
   Chairman: Brooks K. Johnson, Tacoma
   Speakers:
   Richard R. Hodge, Tacoma—Problems in Forfeitures and Foreclosures
   Charles C. Gleiser, Tacoma—Problems Concerning Descriptions, Servitudes and Restrictive Covenants
   Brooks K. Johnson, Tacoma—Preliminary Agreements and Conveyances

4:30 Statute Law Committee Meeting
7:00 No-host Barbecue and Dance.............................................Yakima Country Club

Friday, September 9, 1960

A.M. Breakfasts
7:30 University of Washington Alumni
7:30 Yale Law School Alumni
7:30 Harvard Law School Alumni
7:30 Gonzaga Law School Alumni
10:00 Legal Institutes
1. Law of Pleasure Boats, Acquisition, Ownership, Operation and Transfer
   Chairman: Murray J. Anderson, Tacoma
   Speakers:
   Murray J. Anderson, Tacoma—State and Federal Acquisition Requirements
   M. Bayard Crutcher, Seattle—Application of Admiralty, Common Law, State and Federal Regulations
   Gordon W. Moss, Seattle—Drafting of Charter Agreements and Insurance Recommendations.

10:00 2. Public Contracts—Claims and Collections
   Chairman: John M. Davis, Seattle
   Speakers:
   Josef Diamond, Seattle—Judicial and Non-Judicial Remedies Under Federal Contracts
   Albert O. Pringe, Seattle—Rights of Sub-Contractors and Creditors Under Federal Contracts

12:00 Luncheon
   Toastmistress: Marian Gallagher, U. of W. Law Librarian, Seattle
   Speaker: Mr. Felix F. Stumpf, Administrator, Continuing Education of the Bar, University of California, Berkeley
ANNUAL MEETING

P.M.
2:00 Annual Meeting
Parliamentarian: Perry B. Woodall, Toppenish
Call to Order: Hilton B. Gardner, President, Washington State Bar Association
Invocation: Reverend J. V. Linden, S.J., Spokane
Address of Welcome: Thomas C. Bostic, Mayor of the City of Yakima
Address of Welcome:
   Ernest T. Falk, President of the Yakima County Bar Association
Response to Address of Welcome:
   Rush E. Stouffer, Member, Board of Governors, Tacoma
Report of President of Washington State Bar Association:
   Hilton B. Gardner, Tacoma
Committee Reports:
   Committee on Juvenile and Family Law—Kathreen Mechem, Seattle, Chairman
   Clients' Indemnity Fund—Donald E. Spickard, Member of Committee, Seattle
   Legislative Committee and Special Committee on Joint Tenancy—Theodore P. Cummings, Seattle, Chairman
   Committee on Insurance—Jack Whitmore, Seattle, Chairman
   Report of American Bar Association Delegate—Joseph Gordon, Tacoma
   In Memoriam—Elias Wright, Seattle
   Report of Resolutions Committee—Fred Palmer, Yakima, Chairman
5:00 Reception—Courtesy Yakima County Bar Association
7:00 Annual Bench and Bar Banquet

Saturday, September 10, 1960

A.M.
Breakfasts
7:15 Legal Aid Committee
7:30 Washington State Association of Municipal Attorneys
7:30 Committee on Judicial Administration
7:30 Delta Theta Phi
7:30 Board of Governors
8:00 Phi Alpha Delta
10:00 Legal Institutes
1. RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD OF PRODUCTS LIABILITY
   Chairman: Paul C. Gibbs, Seattle
   Speakers:
   John A. Roberts, Jr., Seattle—General Survey
   Arthur E. Pichler, Seattle—Theories for Recovery
   Hoyt M. Wilbanks, Jr., Seattle—Special Problems
10:00 2. TAXATION OF CORPORATE WITHDRAWALS
   Chairman: Edward A. Rauscher, Seattle
   Speakers:
   Irwin L. Treiger, Seattle—Stock Redemption Under the 1954 Code
   Frank J. Butler, Spokane—Partial Liquidation and Corporate Divisions
   Jack Keller, C.P.A., Seattle—Accounting Aspects of Corporate Withdrawals

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Annual Business Meeting convened at two o'clock, p.m., on September 9, 1960. The president of the association, Hilton B. Gardner, presided. Perry B. Woodall, Toppenish, was parliamentarian.

The Honorable Thomas C. Bostic, Mayor of the City of Yakima, and Ernest T. Falk, President of the Yakima County Bar Association,
welcomed the members. Mr. Rush E. Stouffer, of Tacoma, member of the Board of Governors, responded.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

AND

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT

Hilton B. Gardner

We now have an active membership of approximately 3400 members in the State of Washington. We have had 130 admissions during the year. Two of them were attorneys admitted and the others were by examination. Approximately 73 percent of the candidates taking the bar examinations passed and a total of 49 failed to pass.

I would like to discuss with you for a few minutes some of the more important functions of the Board of Governors. Their work is largely done by committees, and I shall call your attention to the work of a number of committees. The fact that all of the committees are not mentioned does not mean that their work is not important. It may mean that it has made a more complete report and will be reported from the floor, and I shall cover only a few of them.

One of the most important functions of the Board of Governors is that of discipline. Complaints against lawyers are processed by the local administrative committees in the respective counties in which the attorneys practice.

Now, many of these complaints will be only trivial matters which are disposed of by the members of the local administrative committee, but if after such hearing, if the administrative committee determines that such further action is required, it makes a report to the Board of Governors, and that report is considered carefully by the Board of Governors, and if the Board determines that a complaint should be filed it so directs the association counsel to prepare it and serve the complaint and proceed with the action.

The matter is then set for trial and the trial is before the trial committee of the district or county, rather, in which the attorney that is up for trial practices. One member of the Board of Governors presides over the trial, sitting with two members of the trial committee. He presides and he is assisted by two members of the trial committee for that district.

That is entirely a formal proceeding at which the lawyer may be represented by counsel and testimony is taken from sworn witnesses, and the testimony is reported. Findings of fact and conclusions are