

CPCU SOCIETY

Committee Minutes

Meeting Date: August 29, 2009	CLEW Interest Group Committee Meeting
Time: 9:00 AM	Present: (list one per line) Vincent "Chip" Boylan (Chairman) Nancy Adams Gregory Deimling Daniel Free Stan Lipshultz Donald Malecki James Robertson Robert Siems Norman Steinberg Steven Stinson Akos Swierkiewicz George Wallace
Location: Denver, CO	Absent: (list one per line) Kevin Quinley Jean Lucey James Misselwitz Lawton Swan

Visitors – James Klauka –Society (Society Director); Richard Lambert (Society Director); Kathleen Robison (Society Director)
Philip Bryan, Esq. (Rabbitt Pitzer & Snodgrass, P. C.); John Kelley (Society Staff)

Subject:	Welcome
Discussion:	Chip Boylan began the meeting at 9:00 AM by welcoming and thanking all members for attending the meeting
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	
Subject:	Minutes of Past Meeting
Discussion:	Minutes of the April 25, 2009 meeting were distributed
Action(s) Taken:	Minutes approved without change
Status:	

Subject:	Committee Members
Discussion:	Robert Siems resigned (because he is Chapter Governor) and Joseph Burkle's and Douglas Zogby's term expired.
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	

Subject:	Interest Group Reports
Discussion:	Decrease in CLEW IG membership was noted.
Action(s) Taken:	Chip Boylan will send e-mail to all those who were CLEW IG members as of 8/29/08 and did not appear as CLEW IG members as of 8/21/09.
Status:	

Subject:	Interest Group Circle of Excellence Recognition Program
Discussion:	CLEW received the Circle of Excellence Gold Award. The Committee was somewhat disappointed that it was not "with distinction" despite 2 webinars, 2 symposia and 3 newsletters since 9/08.
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	
Subject:	Newsletters/CLEWS

Discussion:	<p>The Committee commended Jean Lucey for her excellent work on the Newsletter and expressed its appreciation to all contributors.</p> <p>Dan Free reported that he became aware of copyright violation. One of his articles in the Newsletter had been published without his or the Society's knowledge and permission.</p>
Action(s) Taken:	John Kelly will look into the current policy of the Society and notification to the author of articles when the Society is asked for permission to publish an article.
Status:	
Subject:	Website/LinkedIn
Discussion:	<p>Steve Stinson reported on the progress of the C.P.C. U. Consulting, Litigation, Expert Witness Interest Section group he had established on LinkedIn after the April 25, 2009 meeting of the committee.</p> <p>Akos Swierkiewicz reported that only eight persons responded to his survey seeking to identify who is using the CLEW Discussion Site, i.e. it is not being utilized. Other Interest Group discussion sites are not utilized either.</p> <p>Nancy Adams voiced concerns about expressing views or opinions on blogs or other forms of on-line communications.</p> <p>Akos Swierkiewicz proposed enhancements to the CPCU/CLEW web site. It received unanimous support from the Committee. The purpose of the proposed enhancements is to facilitate referrals of consulting and expert witness opportunities among CLEW IG members. Several Committee members offered comments and suggestions, which will be incorporated into the proposed enhancements.</p>
Action(s) Taken:	Chip Boylan and Akos Swierkiewicz will finalize the proposal and discuss it with Society Staff
Status:	

Subject:	Gottheimer Award
Discussion:	Jim Robertson and Dan Free reported that they have identified four highly qualified candidates for the Gottheimer Award but the winner's name was kept secret until it was announced at the commencement of the Mock Trial.
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	Stan Lipshultz received the award from Jim Robertson at the Mock Trial

Subject:	Staff Report
Discussion:	<p>John Kelly indicated that attribution to the CLEW Newsletter and to the author should be made if any articles are used by others.</p> <p>He will endeavor to inform the author of articles when permission to re-publication is received by the Society.</p> <p>Every effort will be made to avoid concurrent CLEW seminars.</p>
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	

Subject:	Denver Mock Trial
Discussion:	Stan Lipshultz, Bob Seims and George Wallace presented their overview of the Mock Trial. Participants in the Mock Trial met after lunch to go over details.
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	

Subject:	Denver Seminar – What's Happening in Your Neighborhood, etc.
Discussion:	<p>Nancy Adams and Greg Deimling provided information about the seminar.</p> <p>Highlights of the Welcome to Millionaire Feud game show were shown to the Committee.</p>
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	

Subject:	Webinars
Discussion:	Steve Stinson suggested webinars on valuation, arbitration and mediation.
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	

Subject:	2009-2011 Seminars/Symposium
Discussion:	Order of the Court will be presented in Chicago late October, early November or in March 2010.
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	

Subject:	Old Business
Discussion:	
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	

Subject:	New Business
Discussion:	Nancy Adams suggested that cyber information liability and privacy issues as potential Mock Trial Topic.
Action(s) Taken:	
Status:	

Add additional agenda items as needed. For recommendations, please use "Knowledge-Based Recommendation Form."

Adjourn at: 3:30 PM

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