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**[Approved at the Executive Council meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008]**

**MINUTES  
of the  
Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING  
April 5, 2008  
Gainesville, Florida**

Melissa Jay Murphy, Section Chair, presiding

**I. Presiding** - The Section Chair, Melissa Jay Murphy, called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. EST.

**II. Attendance** – George Meyer, Secretary.

The attendance roster was circulated to be initialed by Council members in attendance at the meeting. Attendance is shown cumulatively on circulated attendance rosters. It is the responsibility of the Council member to promptly bring any corrections to the attention of the Secretary. The cumulative attendance roster to date for the 2007-2008 Bar year is attached to these Minutes as Attachment I.

**III. Minutes of Previous Meeting** – George Meyer, Secretary.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Executive Council meeting held at Key West, Florida on January 12, 2008, included in the agenda package at **pp 1-25**, was approved.

**IV. Chair's Report** – Melissa Murphy, Chair.

1. 2008-2009 RPPTL Executive Council Schedule **p. 26**
2. Melissa welcomed and introduced the Dean of the University of Florida Law School, Robert Jerry, and thanked him for hosting the Section's Roundtables and Executive Council meeting at the Law School. The Dean thanked Melissa and welcomed the Executive Council to Gainesville and the University of Florida Law School.
3. A Resolution honoring Robert Harold Willis, a recently deceased and long time member of the Section, was read to the Executive Council and presented to Robert Willis's widow and son by Joseph Fleece. Attached to these Minutes as Attachment II is a copy of the Resolution.

4. On behalf of the Section, Melissa thanked all of the sponsors for sponsoring the various Section Committee meetings, Roundtables and Executive Council meeting.

**V. Chair Elect's Report – Sandra Diamond, Chair-Elect.**

1. 2008-2009 RPPTL Executive Council Schedule **p. 27**
2. Sandy gave a report on the status of the planning for the 2009 Out of State Executive Council meeting to be held in Quito, Ecuador. She announced that the website for making reservations for that trip was now open.

**VI. Liaison with Board of Governors Report – Gwynne Young.**

1. BOG Summary – March 2008 at **pp. 28**.

**VII. Treasurer's Report – Wm. Fletcher Belcher, Treasurer.**

1. Fletcher reported that the 2007-2008 Year-to-Date Summary found at page 29 of the Agenda materials was incorrect. The correct numbers are as follows:

1. Beginning fund balance (7/1/07):	\$917,093.00
2. Revenue (including sponsorships in the amount of \$167,750.00 and CLE revenue in the amount of \$141,669.00);	\$829,053.00
3. Expenses:	\$658,338.00
4. Net (revenue less expenses):	\$170,715.00
5. Current ending fund balance:	\$1,087,808.00

**VIII. Circuit Representative's Report - Margaret Rolando, Director**

1. First Circuit -- Alan B. Bookman; Christopher Hart; Mary Anne Patti; Colleen Coffield Sachs
2. Second Circuit —Frederick R. Dudley; Peter Dunbar; Victor L. Huszagh
3. Third Circuit — Guy W. Norris; Clay A. Schnitker; Michael Smith
4. Fourth Circuit — Bill Blackard, Jr.; Ann Buzby; Michael Fisher; Harris L. Bonnette
5. Fifth Circuit — Denise Lyn; Del G. Potter
6. Sixth Circuit — David Carter; Gary Davis; Robert C. Dickinson, III; Joseph W. Fleece, Jr.; Joseph (Jay) W. Fleece, III; Donald Peyton; Kenneth Thornton; Hugh Umsted
7. Seventh Circuit —Michael Chiumento, Jr; Sean Kelley; Jerry Wells

8. Eighth Circuit — Richard M. White, Jr.; John F. Roscow
9. Ninth Circuit — David J. Akins; Russell Divine; Randy J. Schwartz; Joel Sharp; Charles D. Wilder; Charles G. Wohlust
10. Tenth Circuit — Gregory R. Deal; Craig A. Mundy; Sandra Graham Sheets; Robert S. Swaine
11. Eleventh Circuit — Carlos Battle; Thomas Karr; Nelson C. Keshen; Marsha Madorsky; William T. Muir; Barry Nelson; Louis Nostro; Margaret Rolando; Diana Zeydel
12. Twelfth Circuit — Michael Foreman; P. Allen Schofield
13. Thirteenth Circuit — Lynwood Arnold; Thomas Henderson; Wilhelmina Kightlinger; Christian O’Ryan; William Platt; Gwynne Young
14. Fourteenth Circuit — Brian Leebrick
15. Fifteenth Circuit — David G. Armstrong; Elaine Bucher; Robert M. Schwartz; Glenn Mednick; Lawrence Miller; Jay Mussman
16. Sixteenth Circuit —
17. Seventeenth Circuit — Robert B. Judd; Shane Kelley; Alexandra Rieman
18. Eighteenth Circuit — Jerry W. Allender; Steven Allender; Stephen P. Heuston; Robert Wattwood
19. Nineteenth Circuit — Jane Cornett; Richard Dungey; Doug Gonano; Thomas Henry Thurlow, III
20. Twentieth Circuit — Jon Scuderi; Dennis R. White

Peggy reported that the Circuit Representatives had a very productive meeting the day before on April 4, 2008. Among other things that were discussed, Circuit Representatives decided to solicit information from their various counties and municipalities with respect to how those governmental entities file liens for code violations and other governmental purposes.

#### **IX. Real Property Law Division – John Neukamm, Director.**

##### **Action Items:**

1. The Condominium Law Committee moved for ratification of the Executive Committee’s approval of the Section opposing any legislation that would require both mediation and arbitration prior to commencing a lawsuit over a homeowner or other community association dispute.  
[Condominium Law Committee] **pp. 30 - 67**

After some discussion, the Committee’s motion was unanimously approved. The Committee then moved to find that this action was within the purview of the Section and to authorize the expenditure of Section funds in support of this position. Those two motions were unanimously approved.

2. The Condominium Law Committee’s proposed opposition to certain provisions of HB 679 relating to reconstruction, maintenance of records and other matters, was withdrawn from the Agenda without any action being taken on it.  
[Condominium Law Committee] **pp. 68 – 158**

3. The Condominium Law Committee moved for ratification of Executive

Committee's authorization for the Section to appear as an amicus party in the *Pukka* and *Trotta* lawsuits (dealing with ILSA exemptions) which are pending in the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit.

[Condominium Law Committee] **pp. 159 - 183**

John Little reviewed the Amicus Committee's standards for recommending cases the Section should submit an amicus on. After some discussion, the Condominium Law Committee's motion was unanimously approved. The Condominium Law Committee then moved to find such action to be within the purview of the Section and to authorize the Section to expend funds on this matter, which two motions were passed unanimously.

4. The Construction Law Committee's proposed opposition to SB 2664, which addresses notice of commencement issues in the construction lien act, was withdrawn from the Agenda without any action being taken on it.

[Construction Law Committee] **pp. 184 - 188**

5. The Legal Opinions Committee moved for approval of the "Statement on the Role of Customary Practice in the Preparation and Understanding of Third-Party Legal Opinions" proposed by the ABA's Real Property, Trusts & Estate Section and ACREL's Legal Opinion's Committee.

[Legal Opinions Committee] **pp. 189 - 191**

After some discussion, the Committee's motion was unanimously approved.

6. The Real Property Forms Committee moved for approval of the proposed deletion of the contracts identified as Real Property Forms 1.1 and 1.3, which were included in the Agenda Materials.

[Real Property Forms Committee]

After some discussion, the Committee's motion was unanimously approved.

7. Title Issues and Standards Committee moved for approval of proposed revisions to Chapter 10 (Names) of the Uniform Title Standards, as set forth in the Agenda materials.

[Title Issues and Standards Committee]

The Committee's motion was unanimously approved.

8. Title Issues and Standards Committee moved for approval of proposed revisions to Chapter 12 (Tax Liens) of the Uniform Title Standards, as set forth in the Agenda materials.

[Title Issues and Standards Committee]

The Committee's motion was unanimously approved.

9. On behalf of the Title Insurance Committee, Homer Duvall gave a report concerning the proposed Title Insurance Study Commission legislation (Senate Bill 1684/House Bill 937). After some discussion concerning the proposed legislation, it was duly moved and seconded that the Section should support the passage of this legislation. That motion was unanimously approved. It was then duly moved and seconded to find that such action was within the Section's purview. That motion was unanimously approved. There was no motion made to authorize expenditure of Section funds in support of this matter, as it was felt that no expenditures by the Section were necessary.

### **Information Items**

1. Michael Gelfand, on behalf of the Condominium Law Committee, gave an informational report concerning HB 995 (addressing a number of proposed revisions to Chapter 718), which bill is set forth in the Agenda materials.
2. On behalf of the Title Insurance Committee, Homer Duvall reported on the status of certain legislation that was filed with respect to the definition of title insurance (Senate Bill 1078) and certain UCC title insurance file and use legislation (Senate Bill 2540), copies of such legislation being set forth in the Agenda materials.

### **X. Probate & Trust Law Division – Brian Felcoski, Probate Division Director**

#### **Action Items:**

1. The Tax Planning Committee moved for ratification of Executive Committee's approval of a Section legislative position opposing HB 599 and SB 2040 regarding documentary stamp taxes, as set forth in the Agenda materials [Estate and Trust Tax Planning Committee - Charles I. Nash]

After some discussion, the Committee's motion was unanimously approved. The Committee also moved to find that this action was within the purview of the Section and to authorize expenditure of Section funds in its support. Both of those motions were unanimously approved.

2. The Guardianship Law and Procedure Committee moved for ratification of Executive Committee's approval of the proposed Section legislative position opposing SB 1124 regarding summary guardianship for mentally ill individuals, as set forth in the Agenda materials. [Guardianship Law and Procedure Committee - Alexandra Rieman].

After some discussion, the Committee's motion was unanimously approved. The Committee also moved to find that this action was within the purview of the Section and to authorize expenditure of Section funds in its support. Both of those motions were unanimously approved.

3. The Guardianship Law and Procedure Committee moved for ratification of Executive Committee's approval of the proposed Section legislative position opposing SB 688 regarding guardian advocates [Guardianship Law and Procedure Committee - Alexandra Rieman].

After some discussion, the Committee's motion was unanimously approved. The Committee also moved to find that this action was within the purview of the Section and to authorize expenditure of Section funds in its support. Both of those motions were unanimously approved.

**Information Items:** None.

#### **XI. General Standing Committees – Sandra Diamond, Director and Chair-Elect.**

##### **a. Action Items**

After some discussion concerning the status of state budgetary issues, it was duly moved and seconded that the Section supports adequate funding of the state court system, state attorneys' offices, public defenders' offices and court-appointed counsel. That motion was unanimously approved. It was then duly moved and seconded to find this action to be within the purview of the Section and to authorize expenditure of Section funds in support of that action. Both of those motions were unanimously approved.

##### **b. Information Items**

1. Amicus brief: *Reid v. Temple Judea and Hebrew Union College*, included in the Agenda materials.
2. BOG Legislative Approval dated Feb 4, 2008 amendments FS 689.01 and 692.01, included in the Agenda materials.
3. BOG Legislative Approval dated Feb 5, 2008 amendments, included in the Agenda materials; FS 732.402, FS 733.602, FS 718.111(11), FS 718.115, FS 718.117(17)

**XII. Report of General Standing Committees – Sandra Diamond, Director and Chair-elect**

1. **Actionline** — Dresden Brunner, Chair; Scott Pence, Vice-Chair; Richard Caskey, Vice Chair

Dresden reported that the Spring edition was at the printers and that the Summer edition's deadline would be April 30<sup>th</sup>.

2. **Amicus Coordination** — Bob Goldman, Co-Chair; John Little, Co-Chair

No Report

3. **Budget** — Fletch Belcher, Chair; Pamela O. Price, Vice-Chair

No Report

4. **CLE Seminar Coordination** — Jack Falk, Chair; Laura Sundberg, Co-Vice-Chair; Silvia Rojas, Co-Vice Chair

- ▶ The Florida Bar Master CLE Calendar set forth in the Agenda materials
- ▶ RPPTL Section CLE Calendar 2008 – 2009 set forth in the Agenda materials

Jack reported on the efforts being made to coordinate the CLE schedules to avoid overlap and conflict.

5. **Convention Coordinator** — Louis Guttman, Chair; Michelle Reddin, Vice-Chair

Lou provided a general status report concerning the planning for the Section's Convention.

6. **Florida Bar Journal** — Richard R. Gans, Co-Chair, Probate Division; Bill Sklar, Co-Chair, Real Property Division

Richard noted that he and Bill are still looking for additional articles for the Florida Bar Journal.

7. **Legislative Committee** — Burt Bruton, Chair; Michael Gelfand, Co-Vice-Chair; Debra Boje, Co-Vice-Chair

Burt Bruton and Peter Dunbar reported on the status of the Section's legislative activity. Pete reported that approximately 55 items are being handled for the Section. A report was also provided concerning the legislators' budget considerations.

8. **Legislative Update Coordinators** — Sancha Brennan Whynot, Chair; Michael Dribin, Co-Vice-Chair; Bob Swaine, Co-Vice-Chair

Mike provided a general status report concerning the planning for the Legislative Update, which is scheduled for July 25th at the Breakers.

9. **Liaison Committees:**

- a. **ABA:** Ed Koren; Julius J. Zschau

Ed reported on the general status of activities of the ABA's RPTE Section, including its upcoming Spring Symposium in Washington, DC in May. He also gave a brief report on the RPTE task force looking at tax transfers.

- b. **American Resort Development Assoc. (ARDA):** Larry Kinsolving; Jerry Aron; Wayne Sobien

No Report

- c. **BLSE:** Michael Sasso; Howard Payne; Robert Stern

Howard Payne noted that the percentage of Executive Council members who are board certified is very low. He urged all Executive Council members to become board certified in their respective areas of expertise.

- d. **BOG:** Gwynne Young, Board Liaison No Additional Report

- e. **CLE Committee:** Jack Falk No Report

- f. **Clerks of the Circuit Court:** Thomas K. Topor No Report

- g. **Council of Sections:** Melissa Murphy; Sandra Diamond No Report

- h. **E-filing Agencies:** Judge Mel Grossman No Report

- i. **Florida Bankers:** Stewart Andrew Marshall; Mark T. Middlebrook No Report

- j. **FLEA / FLSSI:** David Brennan; John Arthur Jones; Roland Waller No Report

- k. **Judiciary:** Justice Kenneth Bell; Judge George W. Greer; Judge Melvin B. Grossman; Judge Hugh Hayes; Judge Maria Korvick; Judge Lauren Laughlin; Judge Lawrence Miller; Judge Celeste Muir; Judge Robert Pleus; Judge Susan G. Sexton; Judge Winifred Sharp; Judge Morris Silberman; Judge Patricia Thomas No Report

- l. **Law Schools and Student RPPTL Committee:** Alan Fields; Stacy Kalmanson

Alan Fields gave a report concerning the status of activities of the various law school and student RPPTL committees. He noted that Nova, University of Florida and Stetson were particularly active. He proposed sending a letter to graduating student members inviting them to join the Section.

- m. **Out of State:** Mike Stafford; John Fitzgerald, Pam Stuart No Report

- n. **Young Lawyers Division:** Rhonda Chung DeCambre Stroman



Rhonda provided a brief report concerning the activities of the Young Lawyers Division, especially with respect to CLE activities. Rhonda also noted they are looking into how to increase Section membership from their CLE attendees.

10. **Meeting Planning Committee** – Lee Weintraub, Chair

No Report

11. **Membership Development & Communication** – Phil Baumann; Mary Clarke

Phil provided a status report concerning the activities of the Membership Development and Communication Committee. They are following up with RPPTL CLE attendees who are not Section members. They are also soliciting writers for articles to be published in Actionline and the Florida Bar Journal.

12. **Membership Diversity Committee** - Kenneth E. Walton, II, Co-Chair; Tae Kelley Bronner, Co-Chair

Tae provided a report concerning the continuing introductory seminar series and noted that they are looking for additional speakers for the seminars.

13. **Mentoring Program** – Steven Hearn, Chair; Jerry Aron, Co-Vice-Chair; Guy Emerich, Co-Vice-Chair

Steve reported that they have begun a pilot mentoring program. Eleven potential mentees have signed up. Although mentors have been found for most of these potential mentees, Steve noted they still have a need for a couple of mentors. He also noted that materials on the mentoring program and budget will be presented at the next Executive Council meeting.

14. **Model and Uniform Acts** – Bruce Stone, Chair

No Report

15. **New Member Support & Integration** – Sandra Diamond, Chair

No Report

16. **Pro Bono** — Andrew O'Malley, Chair; Adele I. Stone, Co-Vice-Chair; David Garten, Co-Vice-Chair

A report was provided concerning the Hope Now program, which is a foreclosure workout service provided on a pro bono basis to low income homeowners. This program is sponsored by the Florida Legal Services, which is looking for pro bono counsel to assist with the program.

17. **Professionalism & Ethics** – Adele Stone, Co-Chair; Deborah Goodall, Co-Chair

Deborah reported that the Committee continues to review advisory opinions as they are issued. She also gave a brief report concerning the ethics luncheon presentation that was made at the Gainesville meeting. Finally, she noted that the Committee can provide resources for those who need ethics speakers for their programs.

18. **Sponsor Coordinators** — Kristen Lynch, Chair; Kimberly Ashby, Co-Vice-Chair; Wilhelmina Kightlinger, Co-Vice-Chair

Kristen reminded everyone that when using the services of a sponsor, remind the sponsor that you are a Section member and appreciate their sponsorship of Section activities. She also noted that the Committee is continuing to look for new sponsors, especially with respect to Committee meetings.

19. **Strategic Planning Meeting** — TBD

No Report

20. **Member Communications and Information Technology** — Keith Kromash, Chair; Alfred Colby, Vice-Chair

Sandy reported that a new webmaster and website provider contract has been awarded to Bill Crawford. She also noted that a draft of the new website should be available within a couple of weeks, as well as a new host for the Listserv.

21. **Long Range Planning Committee** – Sandra Diamond, Chair

No Report

## **SUPPLEMENT TO AGENDA**

### **XIII. Real Property Division Reports**

*John Neukamm, Real Property Division Director*

1. **Affordable Housing** — Jaimie Ross, Chair; Chuck Elsesser, Vice-Chair

No Report

2. **Bankruptcy, Creditor Rights, Real Estate** — Marsha Rydberg, Chair; Al Colby, Vice-Chair

No Report

3. **Condominium and Planned Development** — Robert S. Freedman, Chair, Steven Mezer, Vice-Chair

No Report

4. **Construction Law** — Wm. Cary Wright, Chair; Brian Wolf, Co-Vice-Chair; April Atkins, Co-Vice-Chair

Cary Wright and Lee Weintraub reported on the great success of the First Annual Construction Law Institute.

5. **Construction Law Certification Review Course** – Fred Dudley, Chair; Lee Weintraub, Co-Vice-Chair; Stacy Bohm, Co-Vice-Chair

No Report

6. **Development and Governmental Regulation of Real Estate** — Eleanor Taft, Chair; Nicole Kibert, Vice-Chair

No Report

7. **FAR/BAR Committee and Liaison to FAR** — William Haley, Chair; Frederick Jones, Vice-Chair

Bill reported on the status of efforts to merge the FAR/BAR and FAR residential forms.

8. **Land Trusts and REITS** — S. Katherine Frazier, Chair; Robert Stern, Vice-Chair

Katherine reported on the status of the Land Trust Model Act and how Florida's form may be used as the basis for that Model Act.

9. **Landlord and Tenant** — Arthur Menor, Chair; Neil Shoter, Vice-Chair

No Report

10. **Legal Opinions** — David Brittain, Chair; Roger Larson, Vice-Chair

No Report

11. **Liaisons with FLTA** — Alan McCall, Co-Chair; Norwood Gay, Co-Chair; Charles Birmingham, Co-Vice-Chair; John S. Elzeer, Co-Vice-Chair; Lee Huzagh, Co-Vice-Chair; John LaJoie, Co-Vice-Chair; James Russick, Co-Vice-Chair

No Report

12. **Mobiles Home and RV Parks** — Jonathan J. Damonte, Chair; David Eastman, Vice-Chair

No Report

13. **Mortgages and Other Encumbrances** — Jeffrey T. Sauer, Chair; Pat Hancock, Vice-Chair

No Report

14. **Property Rights in Real Property** — Alan Fields, Chair; Susan Spurgeon, Vice-Chair

No Report

15. **Real Estate Certification Review Course** — Robert Stern, Chair; Ted Conner, Co-Vice-Chair; Guy Norris, Co-Vice-Chair

No Report

16. **Real Property Forms** — Michael Pyle, Chair; Kristy Parker Brundage, Vice-Chair

No Report

17. **Real Property Insurance** — Jay D. Mussman, Chair

No Report

18. **Real Property Litigation** — Mark A. Brown, Chair; Eugene E. Shuey, Vice-Chair

No Report

19. **Real Property Problems Study** — Barry Ansbacher, Chair; Rod Neuman, Co-Vice-Chair; Jeanne Murphy, Co-Vice-Chair

No Report

20. **Title Insurance** — Homer Duvall, Chair; Kristopher Fernandez, Vice-Chair

No Report

21. **Title Issues and Standards** — Patricia Jones, Chair; Robert Graham, Co-Vice-Chair; Stephen Reynolds, Co-Vice-Chair

No Report

#### **XIV. Probate Division Reports**

*Brian Felcoski, Probate Division Director*

1. **Advance Directives & HIPAA** — Rex E. Moule, Chair; Marjorie Wolasky, Co-Vice-Chair

No Report

2. **Asset Preservation** — Jerome Wolf, Chair; Brian Sparks, Vice-Chair

No Report

3. **Charitable Organizations and Planning** — Michael W. Fisher, Chair; Michael Stafford, Co-Vice Chair; and Thomas Lee Co-Vice Chair  
  
No Report
4. **Estate and Trust Tax Planning** — Richard Gans, Chair; Craig Mundy, Vice-Chair  
  
No Report
5. **Guardianship Law and Procedure** — Debra Boje, Co-Chair; Ed Alexandra Reiman, Co-Chair  
  
No Report
6. **Insurance Committee** – Howard Payne, Chair; David Silberstein, Vice-Chair  
  
No Report
7. **IRA's and Employee Benefits** — Kristen Lynch, Chair; Linda Griffin, Vice-Chair  
  
No Report
8. **Liaison with Corporate Fiduciaries** --- Stuart Altman, Co-Chair; Seth Marmor, Co-Chair; Robin King, Co-Vice-Chair; Gwynne Young, Co-Vice-Chair; Joan Crain, Corporate Fiduciary Chair  
  
No Report
9. **Liaisons with Elder Law Section** — Charles F. Robinson, Chair; Marjorie Wolasky, Vice-Chair  
  
No Report
10. **Liaison with Statewide Public Guardianship Office** - Michelle Hollister, Chair  
  
No Report
11. **Liaisons with Tax Section** — David Pratt; Brian C. Sparks; Donald R. Tescher  
  
No Report
12. **Power of Attorney**— Tami Conetta, Chair; David Carlisle, Vice-Chair  
  
No Report
13. **Probate and Trust Litigation** — William Hennessey, Chair; Tom Karr, Co-Vice-Chair; Jon Scuderi, Co-Vice-Chair

No Report

14. **Probate Law and Procedure** — Charles Ian Nash, Chair, Sam Boone, Co-Vice-Chair; Anne Buzby, Co-Vice-Chair

Charlie reported on the joint program being undertaken with the Real Property Litigation Committee with respect to looking at potential legislation concerning partitioning between a life estate and remainder interest in homestead property.

15. **Trust Law** — Barry Spivey, Chair; Christopher Boyette, Co-Vice-Chair; Laura Stephenson, Co-Vice-Chair

No Report

16. **Wills, Trusts and Estates Certification Review Course** — Marilyn Polson, Chair; Anne Buzby, Vice-Chair

No Report

## **XV. ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

George J. Meyer  
Secretary

# ATTACHMENT I

## ATTENDANCE ROSTER

### REAL PROPERTY PROBATE & TRUST LAW SECTION EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETINGS 2007 - 2008

Executive Committee	August 3 Palm Beach	October 19 Ireland	January 12 Key West	April 5 Gainesville	May 24 Bonita Springs
Murphy, Melissa Jay, Chair	X	X	X	X	
Kelley, Rohan, Immediate Past Chair	X	X	X	X	
Sandra Diamond, Chair-Elect	X	X	X	X	
Neukamm, John, Real Property Law Div. Director	X	X	X	X	
Felcoski, Brian, Prob. & Trust Law Div. Director	X		X	X	
Rolando, Margaret, Director of Circuit Rep.	X			X	
Meyer, George J., Secretary	X	X	X	X	
Belcher, Wm. Fletcher, Treasurer	X	X	X	X	
Bruton, Jr., Ed Burt, Legislation Chair	X		X	X	
Falk, Jr., Jack Arnold, Seminar Coordinator	X		X	X	

Executive Council Members	August 3 Palm Beach	October 19 Ireland	January 12 Key West	April 5 Gainesville	May 24 Bonita Springs
Adcock, Jr., Louie N.					
Akins, David James	X	X		X	
Allender, Jerry W.	X	X		X	
Allender, Steven C.	X			X	
Altman, Robert N.		X			
Altman, Stuart H.	X			X	

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Ansbacher, Barry Barnett	X	X		X	
Armstrong, David Gillelan					
Arnold, G. Robert					
Arnold, Jr. , Lynwood F.	X		X		
Aron, Jerry E.	X		X	X	
Ashby, Kimberly					
Atkins, April	X			X	
Battle, Carlos Alberto	X			X	
Baumann, Phillip A.	X	X		X	
Beales III, Walter Randolph					
Bell, Honorable Kenneth		X			
Birmingham, Charles					
Blackard, Jr., William Raymond		X	X	X	
Bohm, Stacy					
Boje, Debra Lynn	X		X		
Bonnette, Jr., Harris L.	X			X	
Bookman, Alan Bart					
Boone, Jr., Sam Wood	X			X	
Boyett, Christopher William	X			X	
Brennan, David Clark	X	X			
Brittain, David Ross	X			X	
Bronner, Tae Kelley	X		X		
Brown, Mark A.	X	X	X	X	
Brundage, Kristy Parker	X	X			
Brunner, S. Dresden	X		X	X	
Bucher, Elaine M.	X				
Buzby, Anne K.	X	X		X	
Carlisle, David Russell	X		X		



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Carter, David	X		X		
Caskey, J. Richard	X				
Christiansen, Patrick T.	X		X		
Clarke, Mary	X				
Colby, Alfred			X		
Conetta, Tami Foley	X		X	X	
Conner, William Theodore	X	X	X	X	
Cornett, Jane L.	X		X		
Crain, Joan					
Damonte, Jonathan James	X	X	X	X	
Davis, Gary	X				
Deal, Gregory R.	X			X	
Dickinson III, Robert C.	X			X	
Divine, Russell W.			X		
Dribin, Michael Allen	X			X	
Dudley, Frederick Raymond	X	X		X	
Dungey, Richard	X		X	X	
Duvall III, Homer	X		X	X	
Eastman, David Deane	X		X	X	
Elsesser, Jr., Charles F.	X				
Elzeer, John S.	X				
Emerich, Guy Storms	X			X	
Fernandez, Kristopher	X		X	X	
Fields, Alan Beaumont	X		X	X	
Fisher, Michael W.	X	X	X	X	
Fitzgerald, Jr., John Edward	X		X		
Fleece III, Joseph W.	X	X	X	X	
Fleece, Jr., Joseph W.		X		X	

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Fletcher, Elizabeth					
Foreman, Michael Loren	X		X	X	
Frazier, Susan Katherine	X		X	X	
Freedman, Robert Scott	X		X		
Gans, Richard Roy	X		X	X	
Garten, David Michael	X		X		
Gay III, Robert Norwood	X	X	X	X	
Gelfand, Michael J.	X	X	X	X	
Goldman, Robert W.					
Gonano, Douglas	X	X			
Goodall, Deborah	X		X	X	
Graham, Robert Manuel	X		X	X	
Greer, Honorable George W.					
Griffin, Linda S.	X		X		
Grimsley, John Gall			X		
Grossman, Honorable Melvin B.	X		X		
Guttmann III, Louis B.	X		X	X	
Haley, William James		X	X	X	
Hancock, Patricia J.	X		X	X	
Hart, W. Christopher	X			X	
Hayes, Honorable Hugh D.			X		
Hearn, Steven Lee	X		X	X	
Henderson, Thomas	X		X	X	
Hennessey III, William Thomas	X		X	X	
Heuston, Stephen Paul	X		X	X	
Hollister, Michelle Rachel	X			X	
Huszagh, Victor Lee			X		
Isphording, Roger O.	X	X	X		

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Jones, Frederick Wayne	X	X		X	
Jones, John Arthur	X		X		
Jones, Patricia P. Hendricks	X	X	X	X	
Judd, Robert Brian					
Karr, Thomas M.	X			X	
Kalmanson, Stacy O.	X			X	
Kayser, Joan Bradbury				X	
Kelley, Sean	X	X	X	X	
Kelley, Shane	X	X	X	X	
Keshen, Nelson Clive	X	X		X	
Kibert, Nicole C.	X		X	X	
Kightlinger, Wilhelmina F.	X	X	X	X	
King, Robin	X		X		
Kinsolving, Laurence E.			X		
Kinsolving, Ruth Barnes	X		X		
Koren, Edward F.	X		X	X	
Korvick, Honorable Maria Marinello	X				
Kromash, Keith Stuart	X		X		
Lajoie, John Thomas				X	
Lange, Jr., George W.		X	X		
Larson, Roger Allen	X	X	X	X	
Lee, Thomas C.				X	
Leebrick, Brian D.					
Lile, Laird	X	X	X	X	
Little III, John Wesley	X		X	X	
Loughlin, Honorable Lauren					
Lyn, Denise A.					
Lynch, Kristen M.	X		X	X	

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Madorsky, Marsha G.	X			X	
Marger, Bruce				X	
Marmor, Seth	X		X	X	
Marshall III, Stewart Andrew	X				
McCall, Alan K.			X		
Mednick, Glenn M.			X		
Menor, Arthur James	X		X	X	
Mezer, Steven H.	X		X	X	
Middlebrook, Mark Thomas	X		X	X	
Miller, Lawrence Jay	X			X	
Moule, Rex E.	X	X	X		
Muir, Honorable Celeste	X	X	X		
Muir, William T.	X	X	X		
Mundy, Craig A.	X			X	
Murphy, Jeanne			X	X	
Mussman, Jay D.	X		X		
Nash, Charles Ian	X	X	X	X	
Nelson, Barry A.					
Neuman, Rod					
Norris, Guy W.	X			X	
Norris, John E.				X	
Nostro, Jr., Louis					
O'Malley, Andrew Marvel			X	X	
O'Ryan, Christian Felix	X			X	
Patti, Mary Anne		X			
Payne, L. Howard	X		X	X	
Pence, Scott	X		X	X	
Peyton, Donald Ray	X			X	

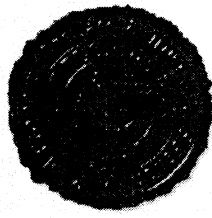
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Platt, William R.	X		X		
Pleus, Jr., Honorable Robert James					
Polson, Marilyn Mewha	X		X	X	
Potter, Del G.	X	X		X	
Pratt, David	X		X		
Price, Pamela O.	X		X	X	
Pyle, Michael A.	X	X		X	
Reddin, Michelle A.			X		
Reynolds, Stephen H.	X		X	X	
Rieman, Alexandra V.	X		X	X	
Robinson, Charles F.			X		
Rojas, Silvia B.	X	X	X	X	
Roscow IV, John Frederick	X		X	X	
Ross, Jaimie A.				X	
Russick, James C.	X	X	X	X	
Rydberg, Marsha G.	X	X		X	
Sachs, Colleen Coffield	X		X	X	
Sasso, Michael Cornelius	X			X	
Sauer, Jeffrey Thomas	X	X	X	X	
Schnitker, Clay Alan		X		X	
Schofield, Percy Allen	X	X	X	X	
Schwartz, Randy James	X		X	X	
Schwartz, Robert M.	X		X	X	
Scuderi, Jon	X		X	X	
Sexton, Honorable Susan G.					
Sharp, Jr., Joel Herbert	X		X	X	
Sharp, Honorable Winifred J.	X		X		
Sheets, Sandra Graham	X			X	

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Sherman, William E.					
Shoter, Neil	X				
Shuey, Eugene Earl	X			X	
Silberman, Honorable Morris					
Silberstein, David Mark	X		X		
Sklar, William Paul		X	X		
Smith, G. Thomas	X	X	X		
Smith, Michael S.		X		X	
Smith, Wilson			X		
Sobien, Wayne	X		X		
Sparks, Brian Curtis	X		X	X	
Spivey, Barry F.	X		X	X	
Spurgeon, Susan K.	X		X	X	
Stafford, Michael P.	X	X	X	X	
Stephenson, Laura P.	X		X	X	
Stern, Robert Gary	X			X	
Stone, Adele Ilene				X	
Stone, Bruce Michael		X			
Strom, Rhonda C. Decambre				X	
Stuart, Pamela Bruce	X				
Sundberg, Laura Kristin	X		X		
Sutherland, John Holt					
Swaine, Jack Michael	X	X	X		
Swaine, Robert S.	X				
Taft, Eleanor W.		X	X		
Taylor, Richard W.	X		X	X	
Tescher, Donald Robert	X		X	X	
Thomas, Honorable Patricia Vitter	X		X	X	

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Thornton, Kenneth E.	X		X		
Thurlow, III; Thomas	X				
Topor, Thomas Karl	X	X		X	
Umsted, Hugh Charles	X			X	
Waller, Roland D.	X	X	X	X	
Walton, Kenneth E.	X				
Wattwood, Robert William	X				
Weintraub, Lee A.	X			X	
Wells, Jerry		X	X	X	
White, Dennis R.	X				
White, Jr.; Richard M.	X		X	X	
Whynot, Sancha Brennan	X				
Wilder, Charles D.	X	X		X	
Williamson, Julie Ann Stulce	X				
Wohlust, G. Charles	X	X	X		
Wolasky, Marjorie Ellen	X		X	X	
Wolf, Brian	X		X	X	
Wolf, Jerome Lee				X	
Wright, Wm. Cary	X	X	X	X	
Young, Gwynne Alice	X		X	X	
Zeydel, Diana S.C.	X				
Zschau, Julius Jay	X	X		X	
<b>Legislative Consultants</b>					
Dunbar, Peter M.	X	X	X	X	
Edenfield, Martha	X	X		X	

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THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE REAL PROPERTY, PROBATE & TRUST LAW SECTION  
OF THE FLORIDA BAR

# Resolution

RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF

*Robert Harold Willis*

**Whereas, Robert Harold Willis**, of St. Petersburg, was a respected and deeply loved member of the Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section of The Florida Bar, who died on January 24, 2008, survived by his devoted and loving wife of 51 years, Betty, and his children, Betsy and Bob Jr.; and

**Whereas, Robert**, after received both his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Florida, and thereafter served a clerkship with the Honorable William Julius Barker, chief judge for the Southern District of Florida; and

**Whereas, Robert** built a strong general practice firm with Byron Skelton, James "Pepper" Bennett and Martin Rice, a firm which Robert's son, Bob Jr., subsequently joined.; and

**Whereas, Robert**, throughout his legal career, was very active in the St. Petersburg Bar Association, serving as its President in 1972; and

**Whereas, Robert** was elected and served as a member of The Florida Bar Board of Governors from 1975 to 1981, leading the Board of Governors in regulating the newly legalized bar advertising; and

**Whereas, Robert's** long-standing and dedicated service to the **Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section** included serving upon or chairing the Scholarship & Awards Committee for almost 25 years; and

**Whereas, Robert** was recognized for his expertise and service by being nominated and elected as a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Council; and

**Whereas, Robert** had a history of dedicated involvement with his community and its youth, which included serving as Scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America, supporting All Children's Hospital, and serving on the Board of Directors for both the Visiting Nurses Association and the Pinellas County TB & Respiratory Disease Council; and

**Whereas, Robert** truly loved spending time with his family, which included his wife Betty, his two children Betsy and Bob, Jr., as well as four beloved grandchildren, 31 cousins and numerous nieces and nephews; and

**Whereas**, the Executive Council of the **Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section of The Florida Bar** recognizes the extraordinary dedication and service that Robert has provided during his lifetime to his community, his family, and The Florida Bar, particularly its Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section, and acknowledges that he will be sorely missed.

**Now, Therefore**, be it resolved by the Executive Council of the Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section of The Florida Bar, that the loss of Robert Harold Willis is mourned, and that his distinguished service and rich contributions to the practice of law are respected, appreciated and acknowledged, and will be remembered forever.

**Unanimously Adopted** by the Executive Council of the **Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section of The Florida Bar** at Gainesville, Florida on April 5, 2008.

Melissa Jay Murphy, Chairperson

  
George J. Meyer, Secretary