

BUSINESS LAW SECTION OF THE FLORIDA BAR
INCLUSION MENTORING FELLOWSHIPS COMMITTEE
ANNUAL MEETING (IN PERSON)
(Joint Meeting with Membership)

June 21, 2023, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introduction

- a. Welcome and introduction of current Leadership Team
 - i. Chair: Valeria Angelucci
 - ii. Incoming Chair: Kelly Roberts
 - iii. Incoming Vice Chair: Katherine Van de Bogart
 - iv. Incoming Second Vice Chair: Nicole McLemore
 - v. Judiciary chairs: Hon. Lori Vaughan, and Hon. Virginia Norton

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 25, 2023 (Winter Meeting)

3. Introduction of 2023-2025 BLS Fellows:

- i. Matthew Akiba
- ii. Jacinda D. Beraud
- iii. Elizabeth R Brusa
- iv. Joseph ("Joey") M. Coleman
- v. Ian M. Corp
- vi. Valerie David
- vii. Kameron Fleming
- viii. Reinaldo R. Gomez de la Vega

4. Chair Report

- a. 10th year anniversary of the Fellowship Program
 - i. Worked on and published Fellows' spotlights, and published short article in the Florida Bar News
 - ii. Celebration of the Fellowship Program at the Labor Retreat and other activities.
- b. IMF Sub-Committees Revamping
 - i. Revisited existing Sub-Committees, requested current fellows or other IMF members to be actively involved and volunteer for leadership
 - ii. Subcommittees will be structured with similar leadership structure as leadership positions in the Section (with current chairs being replaced by vice chairs after June 2024
 - iii. Requested to meet at least once in between Section meetings, and provide minutes/updates to leadership
 - iv. Information needs to be updated online
- c. IMF Sub-Committees Updates
 - i. Communication & Marketing Committee
 - 1. Co-Chairs: Lauren Stricker, Tyler Brand Stall
 - 2. Ideas to celebrate the 10th anniversary and market the fellowship program

- ii. Networking Committee
 - 1. Co-Chairs: Adam Gilbert and Jake Isenberg.
 - 2. Vice Chairs: Zachary Needell, Elizabeth Brusa
 - 3. Organized welcome zoom meeting for new Fellows
 - 4. Dinners/get-togethers for Fellows (including at Labor Retreat).

- iii. CLE Committee
 - 1. Co-Chairs: Chemere Ellis and Katherine Van De Bogart
 - 2. Vice Chair: Alejandra M. Iglesia

- iv. CLE Diversity Policy/Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee
 - 1. Chair: Kelly Roberts (current IMF Vice Chair)
 - 2. Incoming Chair: Katherine Van De Bogart
 - 3. Current Members:
 - a. Mariane Dorris,
 - b. Jacob Isenberg,
 - b. Chemere Ellis,
 - c. Adam Gilbert,
 - d. Tara Trevorrow.
 - 4. Following information approved in prior meeting and to be included and updated on the website:

“The Diversity Equity and Inclusion (“DEI”) Subcommittee shall monitor the BLS’s CLE programming to ensure that BLS Entities conduct CLE programs in accordance with the CLE Diversity policy. The DEI Subcommittee will have authority to engage and assist any BLS Entities found not to be in compliance with this policy and report regarding the DEI Subcommittee’s findings at regularly scheduled meetings.”
 - 5. Coordinate with CLE Subcommittee and with CLE Committee.

- v. IMF Mentor/Mentee Program
 - 1. Co-Chairs: Marisol Cruz, April Martindale
 - 2. Vice Co-Chairs: Nader Amer and Kayla Heckman
 - 3. New applications/program starting after the June meeting
 - 4. Request/follow up with participants to program regarding experience
 - 5. Discuss how to better advertise/spread the word about the program with the rest of the Section
 - 6. Need to revise the Mentor/Mentee handbook.

- d. Substantive Committee Liaisons
 - i. Current Liaisons:
 - 1. Business Litigation: Katherine Van de Bogart/ Alejandra Iglesia
 - 2. Bankruptcy/UCC: Adam Gilbert
 - 3. Computer and Technology: Alejandra Iglesia
 - 4. Corporations/Securities and Financial Services: Chemere Ellis
 - 5. Intellectual Property: Jennifer Shiner/Jim Matulis
 - 6. Blockchain: Michael Dunn

ii. News/opportunities from substantive committees.

5. Fellows

- a. Reminder to register for Labor Day Retreat (code will be provided for registration fee)
- b. Encourage participation/involvement with Communications Committee and discuss blog posts submission.
- c. Questions/Issues/Suggestions

6. Other New or Unfinished Business

7. Adjournment