

Philadelphia Bar Association

Family Law Section Minutes

May 7, 2018

- I. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION:** Ann welcomed the group and attending Judges.
- II. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - a. The FLS Summer Solstice Reception will be on 6/21/18 at the Logan from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Keep an eye out for registration notice.
 - b. July 20, 2018 - Phillies game joint activity with the Montgomery County Bar Association's Family Law Section. Jonathan Hoffman organizing. Ticket price includes a donation.
 - c. The Executive Committee voted to make it mandatory for all Executive Committee members to complete an Individual Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan Checklist each calendar year by December 31. We invite Section members to join in, if they wish, to show support for taking this step toward being more mindful of inclusiveness. For Section members who wish to participate, the checklist will be available with the minutes, and you can submit your completed checklist to Kristine Calalang via mail, email or facsimile (Law Office of Kristine L. Calalang, 1221 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107; kristine@klc-legal.com; (215) 359-9656).
 - d. Reminder of Court Continuance Policy - Do not enter into a case if you know, before you're entered, that you're not available on a certain date. Notify the court of conflicts when the scheduling notice is received. Regularly send Clerk, Bill Schenk your 'unavailable dates' so that court can be aware when scheduling you (but this does not interface with PACSES. Clerk's fax number is 215-686-9308
 - e. Billie Schnall has compiled a new judicial phone directory, to be circulated soon.
 - f. 29th Annual Bar Run to support the Support Center for Child Advocates will take place on May 20th. Sign up for the team honoring Stephen Anderer.
- III. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a. **Legislative:** SB 844 was signed into law on 5/4/18 by Governor Wolf. It will take effect 60 days from 5/4/18.
- IV. **GOOD AND WELFARE**
 - a. Judge Murphy is home recovering from unexpected back surgery. She is doing well and will continue to fulfill her duties from home for now. Our Section sent her a card offering our well wishes for a speedy recovery
- V. **PROGRAM**
 - a. **Support Contempt - CLE (1.5 hours)**
 - b. Moderated/Lead by Kristine Calalang, Esquire

c. Featured Speakers:

- i. Judge Johnson
- ii. Judge Jackson
- iii. Lois Kocinski, Esquire - Philadelphia ADA handling child support enforcement
- iv. Nadege Tandoh, Esquire - Judge John's Law Clerk

Next Meeting: No June Meeting - please attend the June reception.

Respectfully submitted: Eileen G. Murphy