

# MINUTES OF THE RULES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD BY CONFERENCE CALL ON JUNE 13, 2017

PRESENT Don "John" Kaminar Chair and Arkansas Commissioner

Taneka Miller Vice-Chair and District of Columbia

Commissioner

Brig Gen (Ret) Kathleen Berg Hawaii Commissioner

Daniel Dunham Virginia Commissioner Designee

Pete Koehler Idaho Commissioner
Alexis Susdorf for Diane Douglas Arizona Commissioner
Greg Lynch Washington Commissioner
Cherise Imai Executive Director, Secretary
Richard Pryor Operations Coordinator

Rick Masters General Counsel

EXCUSED Mary Gable Maryland Commissioner

ABSENT Douglas Ragland Alabama Commissioner

Mike Reed Mississippi Commissioner Robert Staver Pennsylvania Commissioner

### ITEM 1 - CALL TO ORDER

1. Committee Chair and Arkansas Commissioner, John Kaminar, called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM EDT and the roll call was taken by Cherise Imai, MIC3 Executive Director. Six of nine voting members, one additional Commissioner, and three staff members were present.

### ITEM 2 – AGENDA AND PREVIOUS MINUTES

2. The meeting agenda was approved as presented. The minutes from the June 13, 2017 meeting were approved as presented.

## ITEM 3 – OLD BUSINESS

- 3. **Case Report Form** The committee reviewed the second draft based on changes discussed at the last meeting. It was restated that the purpose of the form was to collect best practices and to share information on cases that would be helpful for Commissioners. The form is not mandatory and may be submitted by Commissioners, school personnel, etc.
- 4. The committee reviewed the Strategic Plan. Specifically, *Strategy #3 Establish and cultivate strategic partnerships that leverage the vision of MIC3*
- 5. Goal #1: Identify partners (current and future) at the national, federal, state and local levels that have mutual interests and common goals. Discussion with PR and Training Chair Ms. Imai highlighted relevant updates, provided to keep the committee updated on MIC3's progress. Commissioner Berg asked that the matrix clarify acronyms and additional detail for readers not familiar with the report. She will forward her suggestions to the national office for review.



6. Goal #2: Develop a communication mechanism for dissemination of information through partnership changes to convey our message and promote our vision. Discussion with PR and Training Chair – Chair Kaminar reported that he spoke with Public Relations and Training Chair, LTC Davina French, on opportunities to assist. French requested assistance for training at the Fall Annual Business Meeting. Commissioner Berg and Commissioner Designee Dunham volunteered.

## ITEM 5 – NEW BUSINESS

- 7. General Counsel Executive Committee (EXCOM) Proposal to separate the Public Relations (PR) and Training Committee into two standalone committees. Imai stated that this item is informational only, and that action is not required by the committee. She reported that the EXCOM, with concurrence from the PR and Training Chair, has proposed the above. The Committee's scope and oversight has expanded since the Compact was developed, and the separation into two committees supports the implementation of the strategic plan and our mission. Berg noted this change has a fiscal impact, and would require an additional committee chair to be added to the EXCOM. Imai added that this change requires a revision to the By-Laws and a full Commission vote at the Annual Business Meeting. Therefore, a public notice will be released during the summer for review and comment.
- 8. *General Counsel Legal Advisory (Nevada)* Masters reviewed the case submitted by Commissioner Scott Bensing, regarding course requirements waivers, including end of course exams, for any students, and those who transfer during their senior year. The inquiry questioned if the clause covered all students or only students that transfer during their senior year. Masters said the clause is inclusive of all students in grades K-12. The advisory is pending approval by the EXCOM this week. Once approved, the advisory will be released to the Commission.
- 9. General Counsel Rules Amendment Proposal on Expanding Coverage of MIC3 to Spouses of Military Members. Masters reviewed the submittal and his legal memo in response to the request. Based on the above statutory language, students who are spouses of active duty military members are not covered by the Compact however, states may choose to make accommodations. A mandatory accommodation for spouses would require an amendment to individual state statutes by all the member states and the District of Columbia. Due to the legal memo, both Commissioners Lynch and Berg motioned that a Legal Opinion Advisory be drafted by Masters on this issue. In addition, they asked that the national office query the National Commission if the Commissioners have encountered this type of case in the past. The Committee was fully supportive of this request.

## ITEM 6 – ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chair Kaminar adjourned the meeting at 3:05 PM EDT.

Respectfully submitted by:

Cherise Imai Secretary

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