

DRAFT MINUTES

Paraprofessional Licensing Implementation Committee

Meeting Date:	May 2, 2022
Location:	Zoom Call
Chair:	Sr. Judge Kirsten Thompson
Vice Chair:	Sr. Judge Dan Harris
Committee Attendance:	Sue Gerhardt, Brian Cox, Robin Wright, Maxine Tuan
Advisory Group:	Katherine Denning, Danny Lang, Terry Wright, Joan Marie Michelsen, Jason Specht, Megan Livermore, Crystal Sullivan, Michael Ritchey, Glen Miller, Lori McCauley, Aubrey Baldwin
Guest:	Ankur Doshi, Mark Turner
Staff present:	Helen Hirschbiel, Susan Grabe, Matt Shields, Kellie Baumann

INFORMATION ITEMS

Introduction and Welcome

- Judge Thompson welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- The Committee discussed the *Oregon's Step Towards Bridging the Gap: Accessing Justice Through Paraprofessionals* article

Issues for Discussion –

- Scope of practice issues regarding retirement and pension benefits
- Family Law –should the rule include paternity and change of name/change of sex
- Delete 4.3(d) re Out of State Paralegal license Educational Waiver and replace it with new Comity rule 4.9. Insert new 4.9 - Section – Comity
- 11.1(b)(14) Extreme Risk Protection Order

Review Final Rules -

- The Committee discussed several changes to Rules for Admission related to scope of practice and defined benefit plans (Rule 11.1(b)). General Counsel discussed different approaches to address concerns raised which were outlined in the memo included with the agenda.

Decisions Made By The Committee -

- The Committee agreed to changes to Rule 11.1(b)(7) suggested in the memo.
- The Committee discussed the additional subsection 16 that addressed defined benefit plans. The committee preferred the “Option F” language presented in the memo, with the caveat that it would refer to “matters related to the division of...” defined benefit plans rather than the “matters involving”. The committee agreed to recommend this language.
- The Committee discussed the additional subsection 15 that was presented in the memo, and which would prohibit LPs from working on matters related to deferred compensation plans. The Committee disagreed with this recommendation, and preferred an approach similar to

that used in the subsection 16 recommendation. The committee recommended that GC incorporate the deferred comp issue into the previous section.

- The committee recommended that changes of name and change of sex should be within the scope of practice for an LP.
- The committee recommended that that the bar should use a comity rule rather than a reciprocity rule for out of state LPs to be consistent with evolving OSB practice.
- The committee recommended that Extreme Risk Protection Orders should not be within the scope of practice for an LP.

Review and Approve Minutes

- April 19, 2022 minutes were approved.