

**TITLE EXAMINATION STANDARDS COMMITTEE
of the
Real Property Law Section of the Oklahoma Bar Association**

Minutes of the Meeting of May 16, 2020

VIA ZOOM

The Committee Chairman, Kraettli Epperson, and the following members were present by video:

Barbara Carson, Kraettli Epperson, Cheri Gray, Jay Struckle, Brian Huddleston, Roberto Seda, Rusty Brown, John Garvey, Jack Wimbish, Deborah Reed, Ryan Schaller, Ralph Keen, Jim Tack, Ron Barber, Sarah Smith Tavilson, Dan Woska, Joe Adair, Valerie Behrnes, Mike McMillin, Caron Loffland, Jacob Charney, Shannon Taylor, Rami Jabara and Jeff Hand.

Discussion of Current Events and Hot Topics

1. Cleverdon Round Table

Deborah Reed in charge this year. Looking at September 10th and 11th.

2. Digital Abstracts

A concern was raised pursuant to a letter from Barber & Bartz as to the liability of digital abstracts and the minimum security features. As well, the retention of paper abstracts. The OAB is looking into this. If anyone would like to join the committee, Jay Struckle will add you to their Zoom meetings.

3. Abstracting During the Time of Corona

Ryan Schaller asks the committee what should appear in abstract during this time. A Committee shall be formed to look into this. Roberto Seda and Ralph Keen are joining the Committee. Report or draft for June.

Legislative Report

According to Ryan Schaller, nothing we care about is happening in the legislature right now. Nothing that affects title standards happened this year. I don't know if this is good or bad.

Approval of Minutes

January and February minutes were approved.

Agenda Items

TES 24.14. Incomplete Mortgage Foreclosure.

Dale Astle presented. First reading. This is more housekeeping than anything.

TES 15.4. Estate Tax Concerns.

Jack Wimbish presented. Second reading. TES 15.4 should cite to TES 25.5. Jack moves to approve

with friendly amendment to add cite. PASSED. (It should be noted that this was our first Zoom vote and it felt like it took 30 minutes. No one could find the voting buttons. Seriously, get your act together people!).

TES 29.6. Abstracting.

Ralph Keen presented. Ralph states the problems they are seeing with this is in the new bases, old abstracts already have the documents in the abstract. Draft in June.

TES --. SLTA.

Rusty presented. He cannot overstate the fact the “this is NOT a cure all”. He has quite a bit to say on the subject, therefore, will continue his discussion in June.

Ending Comments:

Did anyone else notice that Jacob Charney’s background is Stanley Hudson from “The Office”? No? Just me?

Ryan Schaller has requested his nickname for Title Standards be “Young Jack”. I have so much to say on this subject, but will refrain.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara L. Carson