



SBAND Board of Governors

July 23, 2025
11:00 AM

Zoom

Minutes

Members Present: President Deb Hoffarth, Ben Sand, Hernando Perez, Ashley Lies, Dean Brad Myers, Amanda Engelstad, Ashley Samuelson, Diane Schull, Robin Johansen, Rob Manly, Ashley Ensrud, Zack Pelham

Staff Present: Tony Weiler

In late May, the Joint Committee on Attorney Standards (“JCAS”) referred proposed amendments to the North Dakota Rules of Lawyer Discipline, specifically Rule 3.1, and proposed amendments to Rules 1.2, and 1.7 of the Rules of Professional Conduct to the State Bar Association’s (“SBAND”) Board of Governors. This is required under Administrative Rule 38, Section 3B for SBAND’s review and comment.

Weiler explained the request and proposed Rule changes to Rule 3.1.

Action: It was duly moved and seconded to provide no comment or opposition [A. Samuelson / A. Lies]. Motion carried

Action: It was duly moved and seconded to provide no comment or opposition to Rules 1.2, or 1.3 other than suggest the added Comment 7 to Rule 1.2 should also include the requirement that “the lawyer informs the defendant of any conflicts of interest upon full representation of which the lawyer knows or reasonably should know,” to mirror the requirements laid out in the added Comment 14 to Rule 1.7. [A. Samuelson / R. Manly] Motion carried.

There being no other business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony J. Weiler
Executive Director