ABCR Meeting Minutes November 13, 2009

The Alabama Board of Court Reporting met on Friday, November 13, 2009, in Montgomery at the Board office for the purpose of conducting Board business. Those present were as follows: Aubrey Ford Jr., Chair; Suzanne Frazier, Vice-Chair; Laura Nichols, Member; and Sabrina Lewis, Member. Not present were Bill Dawson, Member; and Kent Garrett, Member. Also present were Paula Scout McCaleb, Executive Director; Bettie Carmack, Assistant Attorney General; and Brandy L. Vanorden, Operations Manager.

The meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m. with a quorum present in the following: Aubrey Ford Jr., Suzanne Frazier, Sabrina Lewis, and Laura Nichols.

This meeting was advertised on the Secretary of State's web site and the Board web site, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Laura Nichols made a motion to approve the Minutes from August 14, 2009, as presented. The motion was seconded by Suzanne Frazier and unanimously approved by the Board.

Suzanne Frazier made a motion to accept the proposed Calendar as presented for 2010 as follows: February 12, 2010, May 14, 2010, August 13, 2010 and November 12, 2010. The motion was seconded by Sabrina Lewis and unanimously passed by the Board.

Sabrina Lewis made a motion to accept the settlement agreement for Shelly Bishop as presented. The motion was seconded by Suzanne Frazier and was unanimously approved by the Board.

Sabrina Lewis made a motion to adopt proposed legislation for the 2010 session. The motion was seconded by Suzanne Frazier and was unanimously approved by the Board.

Laura Nichols made a motion to support the ACRA concerning the proposed legislation for temporary licensure as long as it includes the liability issue with the Board as well and the ACRA will handle all aspects concerning that Bill. The motion was seconded by Suzanne Frazier and was unanimously approved by the Board.

The time being 12:15 p.m. and there being no further Board business, the meeting was adjourned. The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for February 12, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Aubrey Judge Ford Jr., Chair

Suzanne Frazier, Vice-Chair

Paula McCaleb, Executive Director

Brandy L. Vanorden, Operations Manager, Serving as Recording Secretary