

Board Committee on Operations  
Referral List  
September 24, 2008

**Category I – Change in Date Only**

None

**Category II – Possible Committee Reassignments**

None

**Category III – New Matters Requiring Assignment to the Appropriate Board Committee**

September # 1

**Request to Petition Supreme Court for Rule defining “eligible institutions” and to send proposed Rule out for public comment**

In November 2007, the BOG approved petitioning the Supreme Court for a Rule to implement the IOLTA “comparability” legislation: that proposed rule was sent out for public comment and upon return of public comment, the BOG approved a petition to the Court, which was submitted. The Supreme Court approved the petition in part, but requested additional information on the need for the Rule. Based on additional information, we propose a new petition and slight revisions to add federal insurance requirements to the proposed rule. This agenda item proposes modified wording for the Rule and requests that the Rule be authorized for public comment. Upon return from a 45 - day public comment, we will seek BOG approval of a petition to the Court at its January 2009 meeting.

Responsible Staff: Stephanie Choy

**Recommendation: Stakeholders - Nov 08/Jan 09**

**BOG – Jan 09**

September # 2

**Recommendation for Education Pipeline Award (Council on Access & Fairness) (*tentative pending decision at September Council meeting*)\***

The State Bar currently presents Diversity Pipeline Awards for an individual attorney, law firm and bar association. The Council on Access & Fairness engages in initiatives along the entire diversity pipeline, which includes raising awareness, developing critical thinking skills, etc in the education system (Preschool through college) and also focuses on law school pipeline programs. To promote and provide recognition for such efforts, the Council proposes adding an award category to recognize an exceptional education program. Given potential Prop 209 issues, this proposed award will not be part of the diversity awards, but rather, will recognize innovative and successful efforts of programs to train and support students to remain in school and aspire to productive careers. *\*(NOTE: this item will be discussed at the Council meeting on September 27, 2008 where the Council will decide if it will make this recommendation to Stakeholders and the full Board. If the Council decides not to*

*go forward or to delay the recommendation, this item will be removed or pushed back on the inventory.)*

Responsible Staff: Patricia Lee

**Recommendation: Stakeholders - Nov**

**BOG - Nov**

September # 3

**Law School Council, Interim Appointment of Member**

The Law School Council has a new vacancy due to a recent resignation, and it would be appropriate to fill this vacancy at the November meeting.

Responsible Staff: Gayle Murphy

**Recommendation: VIC - Nov**

**BOG - Nov**

September # 4

**Admiralty and Maritime Law Advisory Commission, Appointment of Officer and Members**

At the Board's November 2008 meeting, the Board will consider the proposed Standards in Admiralty and Maritime Law. Should the Board concur with the proposal, it would be appropriate to also appoint the initial members and officers of the new commission.

Responsible Staff: Phyllis Culp, Lorna Maynard

**Recommendation: VIC - Nov**

**BOG - Nov**

September # 5

**Solo and Small Firm Section Executive Committee, Interim Appointment of Member**

Because of a conflict, an incoming member of this executive committee has declined the appointment, and the section requests that this vacancy be filled at the November meeting.

Responsible Staff: Pam Wilson, Mitch Woods

**Recommendation: VIC - Nov**

**BOG - Nov**