

**FAMILY LAW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
FAMILY LAW SECTION, OREGON STATE BAR
AGENDA: JANUARY 8, 2026 AT NOON (VIA ZOOM)**

Chair: Alexander M. Jones
Chair Elect: Kayla Steindorf
Past Chair: Shallon Martin
Treasurer: Adam Shelton
Secretary: Patrick Melendy (absent)

Members at Large: Kristi Skalman (absent), Katherine Denning, Stefanie Burke, John Michael Myers, Abby Cettel, Julia Newland, Catherine Gaskin, Lauren Barnhart, Brittney Sumner, Honorable Francis (absent), G. Troy II (absent), Jessica May (absent)

Oregon State Bar Liaison: Matthew Shields (absent)

Board of Governors Contact: John Marandas (absent)

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Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. The meeting took place via zoom. A quorum was present.

Minutes: Adam Shelton moved to approve the November 17, 2025, minutes, Katherine Denning seconded; the minutes were approved by all present for the November meeting (new members abstained). Adam Shelton moved to approve the December 4, 2025, meeting minutes, Katherine Denning seconded; the minutes were approved by all present for that meeting (new members abstained).

Treasurer's Report: Adam Shelton reported that he is unsure what the process for finalizing the budget is; it was submitted in early December. Discussion regarding conference profit/loss, annual carryover of funds, and possible

Continuing Business:

1. Conference Subcommittee Report: Confirm Contract with Salishan, Review Payment Schedule

- Shallon Martin reported that Salishan has dates set aside for us, they sent a new contract to us, including a 20% discount on the A/V; may be open to small adjustments to minimums for food and beverage
- Alexander Jones reported that the contract:
 - Increases for food and beverage minimums by \$4,000
 - Increases for basic rooms by \$29 per night
 - Decreased amount for suites, and offering sunset suite for free
- Shallon Martin reported that she is working to get presenters together, with a goal of broad topics that will be helpful for the majority of practitioners

2. Family Law Newsletter Status Update

- Stephanie Burke reported that she does not have contact details for person who

volunteered to do it.

3. Meeting Minutes Missing on Website for 2025

- Kayla Steindorf to get the minutes posted.

New Business:

1. Introduction of New Members

2. Formation of Subcommittees:

- Conference Subcommittee: Shallon Martin (chair), Patrick Melendy, Katherine Lauren Barnhard, Brittany Sumner, Julia Newland
- Legislative Subcommittee: John Michael Meyers (chair), Kayla Steindorf, Abby Cettel
 - Discussion of purpose of legislative subcommittee, including tracking up with relevant legislative changes, taking positions on particular legislation
 - Shallon Martin reported that there may be a change to the interpretation regarding no contact between attorneys on FAPA cases
- Awards Subcommittee: Kristi Skalman, Adam Shelton, Catherine Gaskin
 - Discussion regarding difficulty getting folks to nominate people for both awards (professor and professionalism awards)
 - Brittany Burke (past subcommittee chair) willing to help transition this role to the next chair
- Conference Location Subcommittee: Alexander Jones (chair), Katherine Denning
- Newsletter Subcommittee: Stephanie Burke (chair)
 - Having no new volunteers, we will ask for additional volunteers at the next meeting
- List-serve Monitor Subcommittee:
 - Discussion regarding this committee monitoring the list-serve for inappropriate topics coming up, steering conversation back to appropriate topics
 - Discussion regarding whether this subcommittee has been resolved
- Website Subcommittee: Adam Shelton (chair)

3. Discussion of New Business from the Membership: no new discussion

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 5, 2026, at Noon (Via Zoom)

Minutes prepared by Kayla Steindorf, Chair Elect