

MINUTES

RE: Public Defender Council Board Meeting

DATE: May 28, 1996

The meeting of the board members was conducted by conference call initiated by the Executive Director, Larry Landis. Board members Jodie English, Susan Carpenter, David Keckley, Terry Richmond, Don Pagos and David Hennessy joined the conference and Chairwomen, Jodie English, called the meeting to order.

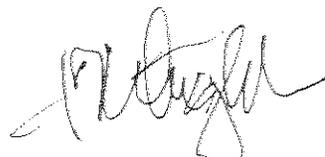
The first order of business was a request by Hennessy and Pagos that their nominees for the Gideon Award be considered. Hennessy raised some question whether he sent the nomination timely but was not received. Pagos pled necessity for his nomination and the fact that his nominee might not be available to receive the award at any later date. There was general discussion and the board sentiment was against enlarging the May 1, 1996 deadline. Terry Richmond moved to consider only those nominations received by the deadline and his motion was seconded by Keckley. That motion passed with four (4) yeas and two (2) nays.

The Chairwoman then listed those candidates as Robert Hammerle, Mark Earnest, Brent Zook, Bart Barteau, Paula Sites and Terry Harper. There was lengthy general discussion concerning all of the candidates. Each candidate received high praise and strong consideration. The board was entirely in agreement that the choice was most difficult. Terry Richmond eventually moved to have the nominees put to a vote and Susan Carpenter seconded. Robert Hammerle was voted by a majority to receive the first annual Gideon Award.

After the vote awarding the Gideon, there was discussion about the propriety of perhaps having a lifelong service award in addition to the Gideon. After much discussion, no decision was made but it was agreed that the topic would be addressed further in the future. For now, it was determined that Pagos should draft a resolution for Mr. Charles Doyle honoring his lifetime of service since he was retiring. Hennessy moved for the board to adopt a resolution drafted by Don Pagos honoring Mr. Doyle; Susan Carpenter seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The next order of business concerned the elections at the annual meeting. Larry Landis reported that David Keckley would be retiring. The board expressed their disappointment that David would no longer be serving with them but understood that he has been on the board from the very beginning and given many years of dedicated service. It was discussed that historically the board has had five (5) members elected in alternate years but it had now become six (6) and four (4). Terry Richmond moved to not fill David Keckley's spot on the board at this election in order to return to the five (5) and five (5) split. Hennessy seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

The meeting concluded with everyone hanging up.

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