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ABC Update

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ABC Names New Officers, Directors and Emeritus Directors

The American Board of Certification (ABC) held its annual meeting in December in La Quinta, Calif. The board approved new rules that are designed to recognize service in mediation and arbitration as a component of practice, and also approved procedures for recertification of senior specialists.

The 2015 Executive Committee members include Chair **Candace C. Carlyon** (Carlyon Law Group, PLLC; Las Vegas), President **Michael P. Horan** (Trenam Kemker; St. Petersburg, Fla.), President-Elect and General Counsel **Walter J. Greenhalgh** (Duane Morris LLP; Newark, N.J.), Treasurer **Craig M. Geno** (Craig M. Geno, PLLC; Ridgeland, Miss.), Secretary **J. Scott Bovitz** (Bovitz & Spitzer; Los Angeles), Dean of Faculty Prof. **Jessica D. Gabel** (Georgia State University College of Law; Atlanta), Standards Committee Chair **Robert C. Furr** (Furr & Cohen, PA; Boca Raton, Fla.), State Bar Liaison Committee Chair **Van C. Durrer, II** (Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP; Los Angeles), Marketing Committee Chair **Kirk B. Burkley** (Bernstein-Burkley, PC; Pittsburgh), ABI Representative at Large **Martha R. Lehman** (Krieg DeVault LLP; Indianapolis), CLLA Representative at Large **Robert L. Pollak** (Glassberg, Pollak & Associates; San Francisco), and Technology Committee Chair **Mark A. Craige** (Crowe & Dunlevy, PC; Tulsa, Okla.).

ABC also congratulates its newly elected directors, who will serve three-year terms: **Daniel A. DeMarco** (Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP;

Cleveland), **David G. Hicks** (Pollak & Hicks, PC; Omaha, Neb.), **Samuel Hodson** (Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP; Indianapolis), **David S. Jennis** (Jennis & Bowen, PL; Tampa, Fla.), **Jeanette E. McPherson** (Schwartzter & McPherson Law Firm; Las Vegas) and **Donna T. Parkinson** (Parkinson Phinney; Sacramento).

Former ABC officers and directors have been elected as ABC's newest emeritus directors and are recognized for their past exemplary service to the ABC with an honorary lifetime appointment to the ABC Board of Directors. It is my pleasure to announce that **John F. Young** (Markus Williams Young & Zimmermann, LLC; Denver) has been named an emeritus director. In addition, **Richard H. Thomson** (Clark & Washington, LLC; Atlanta) has been appointed to the Faculty Committee.

Nominations for board membership occur annually in the fall. ABC-certified attorneys who are interested in serving can contact me (ccarlyon@ccarlyon.com) or ABC Executive Director **Dian Gilmore** (director@abcworld.org) for more information. **abi**

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