

Vermont Bar Association

Thursday, June 18, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

Dinse PC, Burlington, Vermont

Present: Jordana Levine, Jessica Bullock, Josh Diamond, Kate Lamson, Ryan Long, Liz Miller, Collette Schmidt, Keith Roberts, Timothy Tomasi, Kathy Zhou, Alfonso Villegas, Breanna Weaver.

VBA Staff: Kim Velk, Lisa Maxfield, Laura Welcome, Tom Barrett, Caitlin Janus

Lunch Guest: Becky Cassidy.

1. Call to Order: President Jordana Levine called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. Minutes: Upon motion made, seconded and unanimously agreed to, the minutes of the May 15, 2026 VBA Board meeting were approved as printed.

3. Treasurer's Report: Lisa Maxfield reported that CLE income should reach the targeted budget as well as LRS. All other expenses are on track. Lisa is currently working with the auditors on a two-year audit as well as the 990-tax return due on July 15.

4. Enrollments. Upon motion made and seconded, the following were admitted as VBA members: Legal Members: Jonathan Bratton; Terry Campos; Adam Cohen; Brett Francis; Sandra Hutchins; Heather Iampietro; Thomas Mortati; Jonathan Ophardt; Katrina Quicker; Elizabeth Quill; Lindsey Wood; Jenna Iuppa. Associate Members: Michelle Ackel; Francis Parisi; Chelsea Tillinghast.

5. Leslie Black Letter: The board discussed Leslie's draft letter from the Board of Managers to the Vermont Supreme Court in Re: Appeal of John C. Gerhard, in support of the Appellant's Brief filed on May 14, 2026. The letter expresses the VBA's support for an appropriate pathway for attorneys who have previously stepped away from the profession due to impairment to return to practice. It also states that the VBA takes no position on the disputed legal questions currently before the Court. After discussion, it was moved and seconded that the board would wait to review the respondents' brief before

revising the letter to provide a more concise, neutral statement regarding the facts of the case.

9. Adjourn: There being no further business to conduct, a motion was made and seconded and unanimously approved; the meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: VBA Staff