

**BUSINESS LAW SECTION OF THE FLORIDA BAR
COMPUTER LAW AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

joint meeting with e-discovery

Meeting Minutes – 2018 Labor Day Retreat
Hyatt Regency Coconut Point
September 1, 2018 8:30 a.m.

Chair: James P. “Scott” Curry

Vice Chair: Steven Blickensderfer

Second Vice Chair: Josh Saltz

From 8:30 a.m. to approximately 9:03 a.m. e-discovery held its portion of the meeting. Computer law committee portion of the meeting began at 9:03 a.m. There were 20 people in attendance (19 in person and 1 via teleconference).

Scott Curry, Chair of the Committee, called the meeting to order, and roll call and introductions were waived due to time constraints.

Robert Kain moved to approve the minutes from the Annual Meeting, which Steven Blickensderfer seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Steven Blickensderfer presented on the following hot topics: (i) new Florida legislation lifting fees related to credit freezes; (ii) California’s new consumer protection statute; and (iii) Vermont’s new data broker law. Josh Saltz presented on the following hot topics: (iv) developing issue of deep fakes; and (v) *Falkner v General Motors* and the IP-related issues concerning graffiti.

Another hot topic was raised by members concerning the recent wave of ADA website cases brought by the Winn Dixie decision. The suggestion was made that the committee may want to develop a lunch and learn or CLE about the topic to educate the Section at-large.

Robert Kain then presented an update from the Digital Currency Taskforce. The Taskforce has been working on revisions to Florida’s money transfer licensing statute, chapter 560, by integrating into Chapter 560 elements of the Uniform Virtual Currency Act. The legislators supporting the amendments recently decided to hold on making any changes. The Taskforce subsequently decided to develop an informational whitepaper and other education-related materials to support legislators and lawmakers that have questions in the upcoming session about the technology and regulatory challenges.

A member raised the issue of the ethics of lawyers accepting cryptocurrency as a form of payment. This is a developing issue that may be worth exploring for purposes of educating Section members.

Scott Curry then discussed the issue of the Committee needing members to act as liaisons to various Section committees: member inclusion; pro bono; CLE; and articles. Peter Maslow has volunteered to be the Committee liaison to the CLE Committee. There were no volunteers for the other position.

On the issue of recruitment, Scott Curry asked members to encourage others to join and suggested inviting those interested in digital currency to come to the next committee meeting.

The Committee is working on developing a CLE for the Annual Meeting in June. Possible topics include blockchain and digital currencies and data privacy regulations.

The Committee is searching for a judicial chair and Scott Curry asked members to contact him with any suggestions. The Committee recently appointed Professor Vicenc Feliu of Nova Law School as its academic chair.

The Committee is required to publish an article in the Bar Journal. If there are no volunteers, an article topic will be assigned.

As the meeting was drawing to a close, Scott Curry raised the issue of the Committee's name and asked members if there was any interest of changing the name to more accurately reflect the substantive areas the Committee covers. The issue was tabled for further discussion.

Section Chair Michael Chesal and members of the Executive Council entered the room and introduced themselves just before the Committee adjourned. He discussed the implementation of the Second Vice Chair position in many committees for continuity purposes, which this Committee already has in place. The meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

The next meeting will be held at the Business Law Section Winter Meeting at the DoubleTree by Hilton at SeaWorld, on January 16 to 19, 2019.