

MEETING MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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**LEGEND:** **text to be inserted**, ***~~text to be deleted~~***, unchanged existing text, ***substantive main motions.***

All main substantive motions will be set off by ***bold and italics in green font*** (with related subsidiary and incidental motions *set off by highlighted italics*) and will be assigned a motion number comprising the date and a sequential number to be recorded in the Secretary's Main Motion/Ballot Tally record located at <https://tinyurl.com/lncvotestally2020>.

All vote results, challenges, and rulings will be set off by ***bold italics***.

The Secretary produces an electronic OneNote notebook for each meeting that contains all reports submitted and attached to these minutes as well as supplementary information. The notebook for this meeting can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/onenoteFeb2019ExComm>. The recording for this meeting can be found http://lpedia.org/LNC\_Executive\_Committee\_Meeting\_20\_February\_2020

# CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Nicholas J. Sarwark called the meeting of the Executive Committee (ExComm) to order at 10:35 p.m. (all times Eastern Standard Time).

# ATTENDANCE

**Executive Committee Members Present:** Nicholas J. Sarwark (Chair), Alex Merced (Vice-Chair), Caryn Ann Harlos (Secretary), Sam Goldstein (At-Large Representative), Jim Lark (Region 5 Representative),

**Executive Committee Members Absent:** Tim Hagan (Treasurer), Bill Redpath (At-Large Representative)

**Other LNC Members Present:** None

**Staff Present:** None

**Other Participants Present:** Oliver Hall (LNC Counsel)

**Gallery:** Wayne Harlos

# PURPOSE

Decide on whether or not to file an amicus brief in *Carney v. Adams* (see attached email chain).

# DISCUSSION

Mr. Hall confirmed that the initial estimate of $1,500.00 for the printing and filing costs remain reasonable. Attorneys’ fees depend upon what can be negotiated. There are multiple attorneys willing to provide *pro bono* support but not willing to take the lead on the case. The deadline for filing a brief is March 2, 2020. There are multiple other briefs filed in this case; however, they are in support of the challenged laws claiming they promote diversity in the judiciary (#doublespeak).

***Mr. Goldstein moved that the Executive Committee appropriate no more than $5,000 from the legal offense budget line to solicit an attorney and file amicus brief with the proviso that the brief be submitted to the EC for review and approval no later than February 28, 2020.* [200220-1]**

A roll call vote was conducted with the following results.

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| **EC MEMBER** | **Aye** | **Nay** | **Abst.** |
| **Goldstein** | **X** |  |  |
| **Harlos** | **X** |  |  |
| **Lark** | **X** |  |  |
| **Merced** | **X** |  |  |
| **Sarwark** | **X** |  |  |
| **TOTALS** | **0** | **0** | **0** |

***The motion PASSED with a vote count of 5-0.* [200220-1]**

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection at 10:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



#### EMAIL CHAIN





