

**Minutes**  
**Web and Audio of the Executive Committee**  
**Uniform Law Commission**

July 12, 2021

Chicago, IL

Daniel Robbins, Chair of the Executive Committee, called the meeting to order on July 12, 2021, at 12:00 p.m. Central Time. The following members of the Committee were present in person or via conference call: Carl H. Lisman, President; Timothy Berg, Committee on Scope and Program Chair; Bill Breetz, Vice President; Steve Wilborn, Legislative Committee Chair; Tom Buiteweg, Treasurer; Martha Starkey, Secretary; Anita Ramasastry, Immediate Past President; Paula Tackett; Ryan Leonard; and Jamie Pedersen.

Also present: Tim Schnabel, Executive Director; Elizabeth Cotton-Murphy, Chief Administrative Officer; Ben Orzeske, Chief Counsel; and Katie Robinson, Legislative Program Director. The following commissioner Division Chairs were present for part of the meeting: Mary M. Ackerly; William W. Barrett, Lead Division Chair; Thomas S. Hemmendinger; William H. Henning; John McGarvey; and Cam Ward.

**1. Discussion with Division Chairs**

Commissioners Ackerly, Barrett, Hemmendinger, Henning, McGarvey, and Ward reported on the drafting and study committee activities of their respective divisions.

Commissioner Barrett, lead division chair, reviewed the advantages and disadvantages of using Zoom technology. Zoom allowed our work to continue during the pandemic, and has increased stakeholder input, but is not a substitute for in person committee meetings.

There was a discussion of the perils of rushing drafting projects. The legislative process is accelerating and the ULC must remain nimble and may need to expedite drafting projects in certain cases.

Commissioner Ward recommended that the ULC consider forming a Joint Editorial Board (JEB) in the area of criminal justice to filter ideas and to provide a forum for better dialog in that area of law.

Commissioner Wilborn suggested that in future, Division Chair reports might be conducted earlier to help inform the discussion of new projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:39 p.m. Central Time.