Drafting Committee on Wage Garnishment Act

Agenda for Salt Lake City Meeting (March 7-8, 2014)

- 1. Welcome and introductions.
- 2. Discussions of the following topics:
 - the Uniform Law Commission (ULC) in general;
 - the drafting and final approval process;
 - the role of the reporter;
 - the roles of observers and advisers;
 - the role of the Committee on Style;
 - the role of ULC leadership in the drafting and approval process;
 - the post-approval enactment process; and
 - the importance of identifying additional stakeholders.
- 3. Overview by the Reporter.
- 4. Brief review of the committee's charge (attached).

5. Discussion of the issues identified in Parts A through F of the Issues Memo. Please note that there is material related to these issues in the Study Committee Final Report and in Part 1 of the Meeting Materials Appendix (practice-of-law issue). We will discuss these issues and the other issues within our charge (agenda items 6 and 7) with the goal of making preliminary decisions for a first draft of an act.

- 6. Discussion of other issues identified in the Meeting Materials Appendix.
- 7. Discussion of other issues within our charge identified in the Study Committee Final Report
- 8. Discussion of issues beyond our charge identified in Part G of the Issues Memo.
- 9. Planning for the next meeting.
- 10. Adjourn.

Charge to Drafting Committee

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Scope and Program recommends to the Executive Committee that a Drafting Committee on Wage Garnishment be established, that the drafting committee consider the issues listed below, and that the drafting committee be asked to return to the Scope and Program Committee for approval if it wishes to address additional issues. The list of approved issues is as follows:

- Choice of Law;
- Obligation to Notify Debtor;
- Procedures for Multiple Garnishments;
- Involvement of Court and Court Clerk;
- Definition of Disposable Income, Withholding Calculations, and Process for Claiming Exemptions;
- Length of Time a Garnishment Remains in Effect;
- Liability for Failure to Comply with Garnishment Order;
- Remission of Withheld Funds;
- How a Garnishment Order is Served, and Time for Responding to that Order;
- Administrative Fees; and
- Whether Responding to a Garnishment Order Constitutes the Practice of Law.