



**SLR Southern Regional Meeting**

**March 19, 2024**

**1:00 PM ET**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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**Meeting ID: 892 4470 4498**

**Passcode: 660321**

Ronnie Johnson, Chair, LA

Raymond Bell, AL

Jonathan Brooks, NC

Drafton Dinwiddie, NC

Mallory Harrell, FL

James Norment, NC

Brooke Robertson, KY

Libby Washbourne, OK

Hannah Webster, SLR

**MINUTES**

I. Call to Order

Ronnie Johnson called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM ET.

II. Roll Call

III. Debrief of November 17, 2023 Meeting

Mallory Harrell provided an overview of the meeting in Nashville. Discussion of the regional meeting in Dallas was a highlight and how it was important time to get to know one another and connect about regional issues.

IV. Spring 2024 Meeting Client Suggestions

Hannah Webster reported that two clients had been confirmed for the Spring 2024 meeting. There is still space for more clients.

V. Discussion of Regional Interests and Issues

Mallory provided an update on the Florida session. The interchange bill was tabled until a study was conducted. Another prevalent topic is regarding a ban on CBD/hemp.

Ronnie shared that Louisiana was looking at adapting the constitution to give the governor more power and authority while there is a republican supermajority. It will be interesting to follow that.

VI. Other Business

Libby Washbourne asked about the next Southern Regional meeting. Hannah notified the group it would likely be in 2025 due to SLR budget and staffing. The group could host an informal meeting.

It was suggested to look into scheduling the next meeting soon before calendars book up. Centering the meeting around a football game was suggested to have a good draw for members, and a location was easy for air travel. Discussion of a future meeting will be added to the next meeting agenda.

VII. Date of Next Meeting

Spring Meeting DC – May 17, 2024.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 PM ET.