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TO: Disciplinary Counsel, Bar Counsel, Certified Grievance Committees, and Respondents' Counsel

FROM: Rick Dove

DATE: June 2023

RE: Bimonthly Update

June Board Meeting

The Board of Professional Conduct met on June 9 and approved [six case reports](#), each of which was filed with the Supreme Court the afternoon of June 9. The next Board meeting is August 4.

The Board has 21 pending cases, one of which is awaiting report and 11 of which are scheduled for hearing. The Board has opened 11 new cases this year.

Advisory Opinions

The Board approved four advisory opinions on June 9:

- [Adv. Op. 2023-3](#)—application of the Code of Judicial Conduct to mayors' court magistrates;
- [Adv. Op. 2023-4](#)—compliance with a subpoena for a former client's file;
- [Adv. Op. 2023-5](#)—a judge's recusal obligations when a lawyer who is in the same firm or office as the judge's spouse appears before the judge (replacing Adv. Op. 1991-8); and
- [Adv. Op. 2023-6](#)—conflicts arising from a CSEA attorney's prior service as a CSEA hearing officer (replacing Adv. Op. 2006-6).

Probable Cause Deadlines

The next two probable cause deadlines are June 23 and July 21. New complaints with probable cause waivers may be submitted through the probable cause e-Filing portal at any time.

2023 Miller-Becker Seminar

The planning committee has identified the following topics for the October 20, 2023 Miller-Becker Seminar:

- Determining the Sanction (Board panel discussion with hypotheticals)
- Appellate Advocacy (simulation and panel)
- Respondents' Counsel Roundtable (panel discussion)
- PMBR Implementation Update
- Disciplinary Case Trends
- Disciplinary Process Overview (optional)

The planning committee will meet later this month to finalize the program agenda and identify panelists/presenters. Online registration for the seminar will begin in late September.