

COMMITTEE OF BAR EXAMINERS OPEN SESSION AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA ITEM: August 2016 – O-406

DATE: August 24, 2016

TO: Subcommittee on Educational Standards

FROM: Gayle Murphy, Senior Director, Admissions

SUBJECT: **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF LAW – REQUEST TO DEFER FIVE-YEAR INSPECTION**

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the *Accredited Law School Rules*, schools accredited by the Committee of Bar Examiners (Committee) are to be inspected every five years. Southern California Institute of Law's (SCIL) five-year inspection was in November 2010, although the report was not considered by the Committee until the fall of 2011. SCIL was contacted with the intention of identifying several dates that a team could visit this fall. SCIL's Dean asked that the next visitation be deferred for another year.

DISCUSSION

An email was received from Dean Stanislaus Pulle requesting a deferment of the periodic inspection for another year. A copy of the email will be available at the meeting.

Waiting another year to do the inspection does not seem appropriate, especially since it actually will be six years since the last five-year inspection - if the inspection was scheduled for this fall. A deferment of the inspection until February - April 2017, however, may be workable especially in light of the current restrictions on providing pass/fail information to the law schools.

RECOMMENDATION

Call up.

PROPOSED MOTION:

Pending