

ASLP-IC Rules Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 13, 2025



Via Teleconference

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM ET

Register for the meeting at:

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3 PM – 3:05 PM	Welcome Call to Order Roll Call	Committee Chair
3:05 PM – 3:07 PM	Review and Adopt Agenda*	Committee Chair
3:07 PM – 3:10 PM	Review and Adopt Minutes* ASLP-IC Rules-Committee- Meeting- Minutes-February 13, 2025.pdf	Committee Chair
3:10 PM – 3:20 PM	Update of Draft Rule on Fees and FAQ on Fees	Committee Chair and Keith Buckhout
3:20 PM – 3:25 PM	New FAQs – Compact Connect: messaging if applicant’s licensure data has not been uploaded by the member state	Committee Chair and Legal Counsel
3:25 PM – 3:45 PM	Discussion of Criminal Background Check Requirement	Committee Chair and Legal Counsel
3:45 PM – 3:55 PM	Discussion of Rules for Development in 2025	Committee Chair
3:55 – 4:00 PM	Public Comment	Committee Chair
4:00 PM	Adjourn*	Committee Chair

* Indicates agenda item requires Rules Committee vote

Delegates Present

Chair: Gregg Thornton (OH)
Claire Covert-ByBee (NE)
Tamara Cranfill (KY)

Delegates Not Present

Michael Zagarella (WV)

Legal Counsel Present

Nahale Kalfas, ASLP-IC Commission Counsel

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Others Present

Keith Buckhout (CSG)
Susan Adams (ASHA)

Welcome/Call to Order

- G. Thornton called the Rules Committee meeting to order at 3:04 PM ET.

Roll Call

- K. Buckhout called the roll.

Review and Adoption of Agenda

- G. Thornton asked if there were any questions about the agenda. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.
- **Motion:** C. Covert-Bybee moved that the Rules Committee adopt the agenda. T. Cranfill seconded the motion. All Delegates voted in favor and the motion carried.

Review and Adopt Minutes

- G. Thornton asked if there were any questions about the February 13, 2025, meeting minutes. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adopt the minutes.
- **Motion:** T. Cranfill moved that the Rules Committee adopt the February 13, 2025, meeting minutes. C. Covert-ByBee seconded the motion. Delegates voted in favor and the motion carried.

Update of Draft Rule on Fees and FAQ on Fees

- G. Thornton and K. Buckhout discussed the draft rule on fees and the FAQs. K. Buckhout explained the rulemaking process, including the 30-day public comment period and the requirement to post the rule on the website and State Board websites. The public comment period will start April 1st. There will need to be a Special Commission Meeting to vote on the rule in late June to coincide with a vote on the commission budget for FY26. The rule will go into effect 30 days after the meeting, assuming it passes.

New FAQs – Compact Connect

- G. Thornton proposed an FAQ to addressing a scenario where states might not upload all their licensee data to the compact's data system, potentially causing delays for eligible licensees. In these cases, licensees who might wish to purchase a privilege might find that their information has not been uploaded to the compact data system and would need to address this with their state board. The recommendation is to address this situation with an FAQ, to inform, rather than direct member states and licensees.

Discussion of Criminal Background Check Requirement

- G. Thornton presented a draft of an amendment to the Rule on Implementation of the Criminal Background Check Requirement. The committee discussed the proposed amendment which includes additional details about when the background check could be authorized for a licensee who had never received a background check and a timeline for states to implement background

checks. The rule allows for a 30-day implementation period with potential extensions for states facing legal impossibilities. N. Kalfas provides an update on the occupational therapy compact's approach, which is considering the doctrine of legal impossibility for states unable to obtain FBI background checks. The committee will continue to explore alternatives like state background checks as a temporary measure until FBI checks become possible for all states and plans to continue discussion of the amendment at the April meeting.

Discussion of Rules for Development in 2025

- G. Thornton tabled discussion of additional rules for development in 2025 for the April meeting.

Public Comment

- G. Thornton opened the meeting for public comment. No comments were received.

Adjourn*

- G. Thornton asked if there was any additional business. Seeing none, G. Thornton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- **Motion:** C. Covert-Bybee moved to adjourn the Rules Committee meeting. T. Cranfill seconded the motion. All Delegates voted in favor and the motion carried.
- G. Thornton adjourned the meeting at 4:05 PM ET.