The Annual Meeting of the Connecticut Bar Foundation James W. Cooper Fellows took place on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. at the Hartford Club in Hartford, CT.

During the CBF Annual Reception preceding the Fellows Annual Meeting, the following were presented awards:

- **Distinguished Service Award**
  Louis R. Pepe presented by Alfred A. Turco

- **Legal Services Leadership Award**
  Raphael L. Podolsky presented by Steven Eppler-Epstein

- **Special Recognition Awards**
  Eric D. Coleman, Former Co-Chair Judiciary Committee
  Senator Martin M. Looney, Senate President Pro Tempore
  Representative William Tong, Co-Chair Judiciary Committee
  Dean Timothy S. Fisher and William H. Clendenen presented the awards.

Bill Logue, Chair of the Fellows, called the meeting to order. He thanked the Fellows for their on-going support of the programs and the Foundation staff for their assistance.

The Hon. Juliett L. Crawford, Secretary, presented the minutes of the May 3, 2016, Fellows meeting, a copy of which was distributed, and is appended. After motion made and seconded, the Fellows approved the minutes of the May 3, 2016, Fellows meeting.

Dwight H. Merriam, Chair of the Fellows Education and Program Committee (FEPC), presented the report of the FEPC, a copy of which was distributed at the meeting, and is appended. He asked those present to suggest topics for programs and to send them to him for consideration at future FEPC meetings.

Hon. Anne C. Dranginis, Chair of the Fellows Nominating Committee for Fellows Officers, presented the report for the Committee. Fran J. Brady and Frank H. Finch are members of the Committee. The following slate of officers for 2017-2018 was approved unanimously:

- Chair: Dwight H. Merriam
- Vice Chair: Daniel A. Schwartz
- Secretary: Hon. Juliett L. Crawford

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.