

Food Law PDG

Names of Attendees: Eric Edmunds (Chairperson), Abdullahi Idris Muhammad, Adrienne Shearer, Allison Howell, Amy Wise, Andrew Morin, Angelica Uribe, Angela Fraser, Ata (Al) Baroudi, Brittany Holmes, Dan DeBee, Dan Vassar, Derek Hladki, Elise Forward, Emily Moyer, Gale Prince, Gustavo Gomez, Hadda Faye, Jack Sarcone, Jakob Baker, James Doyle, Jens H. Kjaer, Jennifer McEntire, Jesse Son, Joanna Rothwell, John Allan, John LoPorto, Juliany Rivera Calo, Julie Simcox, Justyce Jedlicka Schweppe, Karina Martino, Kathleen O'Donnell, Kris Sollid, Lauren Hamilton, Leslie Hintz, Leticia Mallmann, Lily Yang, Mark Lebednick, Mary Morris-Donaldson, Melissa Bruce, Myra Maldonado, Nicolás Vivanco, Phyllis Posy, Pratiksha Shrestha, Quincy Lissaur, Raquel Maymir, Rob Middendorf, Sean Foster, Steven Gendel, Taryn Horr, Tracie Sheehan, Tressa Dennett, Xin Luo, Yinqing Ma, Zeb Blanton, Zhinong Yan.

Total Number of Attendees: 55.

Meeting Called to Order: Sunday, July 27, 2025, 1:05 P.M.

Minutes Recording Secretary: Eric Edmunds

Old Business: The meeting commenced with a call to order, and a welcome was extended to all attendees. Antitrust guidelines were reviewed. All attendees were asked to introduce themselves and share how many years they have participated with IAFP. IAFP Board updates and announcements were made for *Journal of Food Protection*.

Minutes from 2024 annual meeting were reviewed and approved.

New Business: All sessions sponsored by the Food Law PDG this year were shared with the group. There was a brief presentation and discussion on the Ohio Supreme Court case that held that “boneless” chicken wings could not be reasonable assumed to not contain bones by a

consumer in a food service restaurant, and that plaintiff could not recover any damages for injuries sustained from chicken bone.

Poll results from sessions submitted in the last five years that were sponsored by the PDG were presented and used to determine breakout topics for small groups to work on session ideas for 2026. The groups brainstormed for approximately 30 minutes, with two groups focused on: (1) regulatory uncertainty and influence of state jurisdictions on federal policy and international commerce; and (2) FSMA issues evaluating individual regulations and fact that we are coming up on the 15th anniversary of FSMA and it is unclear if it is a “successful” law. Groups reported back ideas and session topics to PDG.

Recommendations to the Executive Board: None.

Next Meeting Date: July 26, 2026, New Orleans, LA.

Meeting Adjourned at: 2:28 P.M., Sunday, July 27, 2025.

Chairperson: Eric Edmunds.