JUDICIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM COMMITTEE

April 22, 2022
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Online Zoom Meeting

Minutes

Members Present:
Justice Barbara A. Madsen, Chair
Judge Scott K. Ahlf
Ms. Mindy Breiner
Mr. Joseph Brusic
Mr. Derek Byrne
Mr. Donald Graham
Judge John Hart, Vice-Chair
Judge Kathryn Loring
Mr. Frank Maiocco
Ms. Barb Miner
Judge Robert Olson
Ms. Paulette Revoir
Mr. Dave Reynolds
Ms. Dawn Marie Rubio
Judge Lisa Worswick
Ms. Margaret Yetter

Members Absent:
Chief Brad Moericke

AOC Staff Present:
Mr. Kevin Ammons
Mr. Phil Brady
Mr. Kevin Cottingham
Ms. Vonnie Diseth
Mr. Rob Eby
Mr. Arsenio Escudero
Ms. Brittany Gregory
Mr. Jamie Kambich
Mr. Mike Keeling
Mr. Dirk Marler
Mr. Dexter Mejia
Ms. Anya Prozora
Mr. Christopher Stanley
Mr. Garret Tanner
Ms. Angie Wirkkala

Guests Present:
Ms. Kym Foster
Mr. Allen Mills
Ms. Heidi Percy

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Call to Order & Approval of Meeting Minutes

Justice Barbara Madsen called the Judicial Information System Committee (JISC) meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. This meeting was held virtually on Zoom.

Justice Madsen asked if there were any changes or additions to be made to the February 2022 meeting minutes. Hearing none, the meeting minutes were deemed approved as written.

Introduction of New JIS Business Liaison

Mr. Kevin Ammons introduced Mr. Arsenio Escudero to the Committee. Mr. Escudero is AOC's new JIS Business Liaison for the courts of limited jurisdiction and the JISC.

JIS Budget Update & JIS IT Budget Concept Papers (Decision Point)

JIS Budget Update

Mr. Christopher Stanley provided a brief 21-23 budget update. The Legislature's budget provided $17.5 billion for the JIS Account bailout. However, revenue continues to decline. In February and March, the account collected only half of the projected amount; the projected amount was less than half of the historical average. As such, AOC will be reviewing the "revenue side of the equation" in order to have a better estimate for the end of the biennium. At this time the current fiscal year is projected to end will a small fund balance. The biennium is still projected to end slightly in the red; as revenue continues to decline, the problem continues to compound.

Additionally, Mr. Stanley announced the JIS Funding Subcommittee will be meeting May 6th for the first time. This workgroup was established to look into and devise new or reworked revenue streams for the JIS Account.

JIS IT Budget Concept Papers & Decision Point

Mr. Stanley then led the Committee through a high-level review of the recommended IT Concept Papers, which involve IT expenditures traditionally made from the JIS Account. The decision before the JISC is whether or not to approve these concept papers to become decision packages that would then be forwarded on to the Supreme Court Budget Committee for further action.

It was clarified that the concept papers are a means to generate ideas for IT work needing to be done without going through the full decision package process for each item from the onset. The concept papers are the first step in the process of determining what will be developed into decision packages for budget requests. Some members expressed concern over how the concept paper/decision package process intersects with the ITG process (which involves the input of Court Level User Groups (CLUGs)). Justice Madsen asked that there be more coordination between the two processes, specifically relating to when an item is ready for a budget request. Mr. Ammons clarified that coordination between the ITG process and the concept paper/decision package process is in place. Some of the concept papers have ITGs assigned to them already, and those without will be assigned shortly. Analysis and the CLUG participation will then begin. This will be happening in tandem with the decision package process, should the JISC approve these concept papers to be forwarded to the Supreme Court Budget Committee for further action.

Discussion on the concept papers followed, focusing primarily on four concept papers: Develop a Uniform Statewide Electronic Protection Order System, Continue External Equipment Replacement Program, Develop Statewide Court Interpreter Scheduling System, and Fund Integration Needs for CLJ-CMS System. Justice Madsen mentioned there have been concerns over the possibility of potential legal ramifications on the interpreter scheduling system and integration funding for CLJ-CMS concept papers. She recommended asking the Attorney General's Office for legal advice on these two papers.

Justice Madsen asked if there was a motion to approve this set of IT-related concept papers for forwarding to the Supreme Court Budget Committee.

Motion: Ms. Paulette Revoir

> I move to adopt the recommended IT related "concept papers" and move them forward to the Supreme Court Budget Committee for further action.

Second: Ms. Barb Miner

Mr. Donald Graham proposed a friendly amendment to include in the motion the intention to ask the Attorney General's office for legal advice (informal decision) for the Develop Statewide Court Interpreter Scheduling System, and Fund Integration Needs for CLJ-CMS System concept papers. Both the mover and seconder accepted the friendly amendment.

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Voting in Favor: Judge Scott Ahlf, Ms. Mindy Breiner, Mr. Joseph Brusic, Mr. Derek Byrne, Mr. Donald Graham, Judge John Hart, Judge Kathryn Loring, Justice Barbara Madsen, Mr. Frank Maiocco, Ms. Barb Miner, Judge Robert Olson, Ms. Paulette Revoir, Mr. Dave Reynolds, Ms. Dawn Marie Rubio, Judge Lisa Worswick, Ms. Margaret Yetter

Opposed: None.

Absent: Chief Brad Moericke

The motion passed.

Legislative Summary

Ms. Brittany Gregory provided a summary on the conclusion of the 2022 Legislative Session. The session concluded on March 10th. AOC staff are now transitioning from legislative analysis to legislative implementation. The 2022 Legislative Session Summary has been produced and was sent out to the wider judicial community in mid-April. One bill signed into law was SB 5490, which created the Inter-Branch Advisory Committee. This committee was set up to foster communication and cooperation amongst the branches of government and will provide a good opportunity for the branches to discuss issues of mutual concern. The first committee meeting will be on June 17th in lieu of the Judicial Leadership Summit.

Some of the key bills with judicial impacts that passed this session include: HB 1412 – authorizing courts to waive restitution and interest in certain situations, HB 1735 – modifying the standard use of force by peace officers, HB 1901 – the trailer bill for HB 1320 for modernizing laws concerning civil protection orders, and SB 5788 – concerning uniform guardianship protection acts. Additionally, three of the BJA's request bills also passed.

Appellate Court – Public Document Web Access Portal Demonstration

Mr. Ammons provided some background information on the current appellate court strategic plan; the public document web access portal is part of Phase 3. The portal will provide public access to appellate case documents; only public documents on non-confidential and non-sealed case types will be available, there will be no access to the trail court record, the portal only provides access to appellate cases filed after January 1, 2020, and there is no charge for access to the documents. The portal implementation is planned for the week of June 6, 2022.

Mr. Jamie Kambich then gave a demonstration of the public document web access portal.

Decision Point: Motion to Submit the Proposed Rule Change to GR31

Mr. Phil Brady presented two proposed amendments to General Rule 31 that, if approved, will be submitted for recommendation to the Supreme Court for review and potential adoption. The proposed amendments would clarify that AOC has no duty to review or redact court documents filed in systems connected to the JIS, and would clarify that AOC is not responsible for the content of any court documents filed in systems connected to the JIS as part of projects reviewed and approved by the JISC. Mr. Brady provided some background information on these proposed changes, noting that the

existing rule explicitly states that neither the appellate clerks nor the courts have any obligation to review or redact any information from these types of documents. The proposed amendments would grant AOC the same protection.

Clarifying discussion followed, primarily focusing on the clearness of the language in one of the proposed amendments. A suggested change striking the last phrase "as part of projects approved by the JIS Committee" was made to the proposed revision language in the redline GR31 rule revision document, page 4, (g)(4), as shown: "The Administrator for the Courts is not responsible for the content of any court documents published through the JIS ~~as part of projects approved by the JIS Committee~~."

Justice Madsen asked for a motion to approve the proposed amendments for recommendation to the Supreme Court, with the suggested change striking the last phrase as mentioned.

Motion: Judge Scott Ahlf

I move that the JISC propose two amendments to GR 31 to the Supreme Court for their review and potential adoption. The proposed amendments to GR 31 would have two effects:

- Clarify that AOC has no duty to review or redact court documents filed in systems connected to the JIS.
- Clarify that the AOC is not responsible for the content of any court documents filed in systems connected to the JIS.

Second: Ms. Dawn Marie Rubio

Voting in Favor: Judge Scott Ahlf, Ms. Mindy Breiner, Mr. Joseph Brusic, Mr. Derek Byrne, Mr. Donald Graham, Judge John Hart, Judge Kathryn Loring, Justice Barbara Madsen, Mr. Frank Maiocco, Ms. Barb Miner, Judge Robert Olson, Ms. Paulette Revoir, Mr. Dave Reynolds, Ms. Dawn Marie Rubio, Judge Lisa Worswick, Ms. Margaret Yetter

Opposed: None.

Absent: Chief Brad Moericke

The motion passed.

JIS Priority Project #1 (ITG 102): Courts of Limited Jurisdiction – Case Management System (CLJ-CMS)

CLJ-CMS Project Update

Mr. Garret Tanner provided an update on the CLJ-CMS project. Mr. Tanner noted that Tyler Technologies has rebranded their product names: Odyssey File & Serve is now eFile & Serve, Odyssey is now Enterprise Justice, and Tyler Supervision is now Enterprise Supervision. EFiling was fully funded in the legislative budget as "ongoing"; AOC is working with Tyler to amend the contract to reflect this. EFiling will be rolled out to courts based on their phased implementation. The project team has begun work on Data Review 4 (of 5), and continues to prepare for Solution Validation. The communications

plan for the second and third quarter has also been drafted, and the team is working with pilot courts on staff readiness. Mr. Tanner then reviewed the active project risks and next steps.

Quality Assurance Assessment Report
Mr. Allen Mills, with the project's QA vendor Bluecrane, provided an overview of the March QA Assessment Report for the CLJ-CMS project. The full report can be found in the JISC meeting packet.

Data Dissemination Committee (DDC) Report

Judge John Hart provided an update on the work of the Data Dissemination Committee, which met earlier today. Meeting details and decisions can be found in the DDC minutes on the Washington Courts website.

Meeting Wrap Up & Adjournment

Justice Madsen adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be June 24, 2022, via Zoom from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Action Items

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