

Washington State Minority and Justice Commission (WSMJC) Friday, January 19, 2018 8:45 am – 2 pm UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW WILLIAM H. GATES HALL 4293 MEMORIAL WAY, SEATTLE, WA 98195 ROOM 138



Teleconference: 1-877-820-7831 Passcode: 358515#

MEETING NOTES

Commission Members Present

Justice Charles Johnson, Co-Chair Justice Mary Yu, Co-Chair Justice Debra Stephens Judge Lisa Atkinson

Professor Lorraine Bannai

Ms. Ann Benson
Ms. Lisa Castilleja
Magistrate Faye Chess
Judge Linda Coburn
Lieutenant Adrian Diaz
Judge Mike Diaz
Judge Lisa Dickinson
Judge Theresa Doyle
Professor Jason Gillmer
Mr. Anthony Gipe

Mr. Anthony Gipe Judge Bonnie Glenn Ms. Kitara Johnson Judge Linda Lee

Judge LeRoy McCullough Ms. Kimberly Morrison Ms. Karen Murray Ms. Rosalba Pitkin

Ms. Jasmin Samy Mr. Benjamin Santos

Ms. P. Diane Schneider (emeritus)

Judge Lori K. Smith Mr. Travis Stearns

Ms. Katie Svoboda on behalf of Steve Clem

Ms. Lisa van der Lugt Judge Helen Whitener

AOC Staff Present

Ms. Carolyn Cole

Guests

Mr. Jason Clark Ms. Elly Krumwiede Mr. Rob Mead Judge Steve Rosen Ms. Sarah Sluzska Ms. Ruth Stearns Mr. Josh Treybig

Student Liaisons Present

Mr. Seth Brickey-Smith
Ms. Maddie Flood
Ms. Amira Mattar

Ms. Catalina A. Saldivia Lagos

Ms. Lia Baligod

Ms. Maia Crawford-Bernick
Ms. Geraldine Enrico

Mr. Nick McKee
Ms. Briana Ortega

Ms. Rina-Eileen Bozeman

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

There was a typographical error in the September 22, 2017 minutes. "NCIS" on page 3 should read "NCIC." Meeting minutes deemed approved with that correction.

CO-CHAIRS REPORT

2018 Meeting Dates Update

Updated February 27, 2018

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Conference Number: 1-077-020-7031,1 anticipant code 330315#			
Date	Time	Location	
Friday, January 19, 2018	8:45 a.m. – 2 p.m.	University of Washington School of Law William H. Gates Hall 4293 Memorial Way Seattle, WA 98195 Room 138	
Friday, April 6, 2018	8:45 a.m. – 2 p.m.	AOC SeaTac Office 18000 International Blvd. Suite 1106 SeaTac, WA 98188	
Supreme Court Symposium Wednesday, June 6, 2018	9:00 a.m. – 12 p.m. with a reception to follow	Seattle University School of Law 901 12th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122	
Friday, June 29, 2018	8:45 a.m. – 2 p.m.	AOC SeaTac Office 18000 International Blvd. Suite 1106 SeaTac, WA 98188	
Friday, September 28, 2018	8:45 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Gonzaga University School of Law 721 N. Cincinnati St Spokane, WA 99202	
Friday, November 30, 2018	8:45 a.m. – 2 p.m.	AOC SeaTac Office 18000 International Blvd. Suite 1106 SeaTac, WA 98188	

Please contact Carolyn Cole at Carolyn.Cole@courts.wa.gov or 360-704-5536 if you have any questions.

Mission and Member Expectations

The Commission's mission is to foster and support a fair and bias-free system of justice in the Washington State courts and judicial systems. It is important that we work collaboratively with justice system partners to identify and eliminate bias of racial, ethnic, national origin, and similar nature.

<u>Active participation</u> in Commission meetings and committee meetings is necessary for our work. <u>Attendance</u> at meetings is expected. <u>Taking leadership roles</u> to carry out committee and Commission work is encouraged. All members must participate in at least one Standing or Ad Hoc committee. The diversity of member perspectives is valuable.

Reappointments and New Appointment

By Order of the Supreme Court of Washington, the following members have been reappointed for another four-year term:

Justice Debra Stephens
Judge Veronica Galvan
Ms. Ann Benson
Professor Jason Gillmer
Mr. Travis Stearns
Ms. Lisa Castilleja
Professor Lorraine Bannai

By Order of the Supreme Court of Washington, **Magistrate Judge Faye Chess** (Seattle Municipal Court) has been appointed to carry out the remainder of Judge Kimberley A. Walden's term as the District and Municipal Court Judges' Association representative.

Magistrate Judge Chess was appointed by the elected judges to her position with the Seattle Municipal Court. She is an experienced judge and attorney in criminal justice; healthcare; housing and education.

Prior to her arrival at the Seattle Municipal Court, she served as a Judge Pro Tempore in King County District Court for over twenty-two years. She was previously the Director of Labor Relations for Group Health Cooperative and Sr. HR Consultant for Providence Health and Services and Swedish Medical Center. For many years, she worked in the public education sector, first as Deputy General Counsel and Interim Executive Director of Human Resources for Seattle Public Schools specializing in employment and labor, special education, and student disability plans and later as the Executive Director of Human Resources and General Counsel for Tukwila School District. After receiving her B.A. from Purdue University and her law degree from University of Cincinnati College of Law, she worked as a staff attorney for The Public Defender Association in Seattle, WA. She also served as Deputy General Counsel and Interim General Counsel for Seattle Housing Authority. She is a member of the Washington State Bar Association, Federal Bar of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington, and Loren Miller Bar Association. Full biography

Jury Diversity Task Force Launch

The Washington Supreme Court asked MJC to assume responsibility for exploring the implementation of the recommendations presented at last year's Jury Diversity Symposium by Washington Appleseed:

- Reform the summons process;
- Remove barriers to jury service; and
- Collect diversity-specific jury data and expand the Juror Demographic Survey so that it is statewide and implemented on an ongoing basis.

A Jury Diversity Task Force has been formed to accomplish this and Judge Steven Rosen will serve as the chair. The Task Force will operate as committee under the oversight of MJC. Judge Rosen

will provide updates to the Commission. Planning decisions for the Task Force may also be voted upon by Commission membership. Carolyn will serve as a liaison to Judge Rosen and MJC. The work of the Task Force is tentatively scheduled to conclude its work by the end of 2018.

PRESENTATIONS & REMARKS

Jason Clark, Equity & Social Justice Advocate, King County Superior Court Credible Messengers Program http://www.thepinkertonfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Pinkerton-Papers-credible-messenger-monitoring.pdf

Mr. Clark shared information about a new mentoring initiative that utilizes the credibility of those who have been system involved to help youth stay out of the criminal justice system. The program pays Credible Messenger facilitators \$30-50 an hour and is a community embedded response to the needs of youth. Program funding comes from juvenile court mentorship funds and King County Department of Community & Human Services. He hopes that the program will serve as a model for other courts and they have already begun to train facilitators in Pierce and Snohomish counties.

STAFF REPORT

Co-sponsorship Requests

The Commission discussed submitted requests:

- 1. BJA Public Service Announcement
 - Co-sponsorship (Level 2) requested: publicity, funding, and planning support
 - Requester: Catherine Brown and David Johnson, BJA Public Trust & Confidence Committee
 - Date of project: 2018

MJC voted at our last meeting to revisit this request. Members wanted more information about the budget and an opportunity to ask questions. The total projected budget is \$3,000. Each Supreme Court Commission was asked to fund \$1,000. GJCOM confirmed that it can do this. Rob Mead attended on behalf of the BJA Public Trust & Confidence Committee. An English and a Spanish version are planned. Mr. Mead was unsure of the translation costs.

ACTION: Unanimous vote to approve co-sponsorship request of \$1000, publicity, and planning support. MJC suggests that BJA utilize judges who speak a variety of languages to minimize costs.

- 2. UW Law Academy
 - Co-sponsorship (Level 2) requested: publicity, funding, and planning support
 - Requester: Lisa Castilleja
 - Date of event: March 9, 2018

ACTION: Judge Galvan motioned for MJC to support the event at Level 1 (publicity and provide speakers/volunteers, but no funding). All voted in favor except Judge Coburn and Jason Gillmer (voted against).

- 3. Civics Day for Kent and Renton School Districts
 - Co-sponsorship (Level 2) requested: publicity, funding, and planning support
 - Requester: Twyla Carter, ACLU
 - Dates of events: January 8-19, 2018

ACTION: Because the events had already passed, MJC declined to vote on this request. MJC will reach out to Twyla Carter to connect her with resources to help with future events. Jasmin Samy said CAIR would be interested in helping.

Implicit Bias Training for ALJs - October 30, 2017, Olympia, Seattle, Spokane

MJC approved this co-sponsorship Level 1 request at our September 22, 2017 meeting. Carolyn participated as a facilitator at one of the sites in Olympia. The training was very worthwhile because many of the ALJs had never received this type of training before. The training explored the responsibility of ALJs to address bias, self-awareness of bias and techniques for de-biasing, and ALJs had the opportunity to discuss how they might translate ideas into actions. The training was mandatory for ALJs and approved for CLE ethics credits. Carolyn recommended that MJC continue to support this effort.

Letter to Spokane County Prosecuting Attorney Larry Haskell

https://www.inlander.com/spokane/words-matter/Content?oid=6522324

MJC declined to take a formal position, but can encourage education about the issue.

Immigration Update

Annie Benson shared that the immigration bench guide update will be made available by SCJA Spring Conference and the Washington Defender Association is launching a new court watch program to track ICE in courtrooms. Their goal is to use data to pioneer legal strategies and prevent the chilling effect that ICE is creating for immigrants trying to access the justice system.

Legislative Update

Travis Stearns provided an update about the Governor's budget request to reduce the pay disparity between appellate, parent's representation, and other government funded attorneys. He believes that this is an issue well within the interests of the Minority and Justice Commission because their clients are disproportionately persons of color. In addition, their low pay makes it difficult to recruit, hire, and retain young attorneys of color. Increasing the pay of state funded defense attorneys improves the level of representation and can improve the diversity of our small part of the profession. Budget requested by Office of Public Defense.

Carolyn briefly discussed the bills that MJC is tracking, primarily:

HB 1783 – Concerning legal financial obligations

Eliminates the accrual of interest on certain non-restitution portions of legal financial obligations. Prohibits a court from imposing costs on a defendant who is indigent at the time of sentencing.

Update: On behalf of MJC, Justice Yu and Justice Johnson submitted a letter in support of E2SHB 1783 to Senator Jamie Pedersen. A copy of the letter was sent to MJC listservs and posted to its Facebook page. House concurred in Senate amendments March 6.

SB 5588 – Developing information concerning racial disproportionality

On the Senate floor calendar. Senator Hasegawa has amended the bill to transfer the evaluation responsibilities from the MJC to the Washington State Institute for Public Policy.

Update: Died in the House Rules Committee February 28.

Other bills:

HB 2348 – Prohibiting the waiver, reduction, or suspension of certain fees charged to persons who commit offenses involving the sexual exploitation of children

HB 2398 – An act relating to jury selection

<u>SB 6160 – Revising conditions under which a person is subject to exclusive adult jurisdiction and extending juvenile court jurisdiction over serious cases to age twenty-five.</u>

<u>HB 2890 – Promoting successful reentry by modifying the process for obtaining certificates of discharge and vacating conviction records.</u>

HB 2421 – An act relating to creating a program for the consolidation of traffic-based financial obligations

HB 1022 – Enhancing crime victim participation in the criminal justice system process

HB 2481 – Changing driving a motor vehicle with a suspended or revoked driver's license provisions

<u>HB 2707 – Creating a program for the reinstatement of driving privileges that are suspended</u> because of failure to pay a traffic infraction.

SB 6052 – Reducing criminal justice expenses by eliminating the death penalty and instead requiring life imprisonment without possibility of release or parole as the sentence for aggravated first degree murder.

HB 2308 - Concerning civil legal aid.

<u>HB 2183 – Creating the Washington State Commission on Minority Affairs (consolidates Governor's current Commissions on Indian, African-American, Asian Pacific American, and Hispanic Affairs)</u>

APR 8 Proposed Rule Change - comment period ending April 30, 2018

Proposed rule change creates an exception for out-of-state attorneys appearing as a matter of right under the Indian Child Welfare Act under federal law to appear without being required to comply with association of counsel and fee and assessment requirements of APR 8. MJC members are encouraged to have their organizations submit comments.

Pretrial Reform Task Force

Full Task Force meeting scheduled for February 28th, 9 am – 12 pm, AOC SeaTac Office (18000 International Blvd., Suite 1106, SeaTac, WA). Judge Doyle shared that the Race & Ethnic Considerations workgroup continues to be concerned that without more information about the great benefit of risk assessment tools, it may not be worth the risk of widespread implementation and reinforcement of structural racism embedded within them. Washington Law workgroup is creating educational materials that clearly identify and outline the law governing pretrial release decisions. Comparative Risk Assessment Tools workgroup is recommending best practices/things to consider for jurisdictions that would like to adopt a risk assessment tool.

LFO Consortium

Carolyn reported that the next meeting will be February 5, 9:30-2:30 pm at the Conference Center at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (17801 International Blvd. Seattle, WA 98158). Subcommittee chairs will be presenting their Year 1 findings and progress. DOJ grant technical assistance providers will also attend. MJC would like to display Debbie Espinosa's "Living with Conviction" photo exhibit at this year's symposium. Annie Benson said defenders want to be involved and Judge Doyle recommended getting more legislators involved in the Consortium.

2018 LFO Symposium and Conference with Dr. Alexes Harris – June 6, 2018, 9 am – 12 pm, Seattle University School of Law

The 2018 MJC Symposium topic will be legal financial obligations (LFO). Our goal is to provide an update on the work of the LFO Consortium, hear from individuals directly impacted, learn about local court initiatives, and explore alternatives to economic sanctions. MJC is partnering with Dr. Alexes Harris on a conference that will take place immediately after the symposium to bring together stakeholders to discuss actions steps and she will write a white paper.

Eliminating the Pipeline School Discipline Series – Final workshop rescheduled to March 15, 2018, Tukwila Municipal Court

The fourth workshop of the Eliminating the Pipeline series with Equity in Education Coalition was held on November 9, 2017. Approximately 40 educators, parents, attorneys, and court staff discussed the new proposed OSPI school discipline rules and their impact on students and communities of color. Participants were encouraged to submit their comments to the rules to OSPI by the November 13 deadline to ensure their voice was heard. Thank you to our wonderful panelists who engaged us in thought-provoking conversation: Halisi Ali-El (parent and community advocate), Paul Alig (Managing Attorney, Teamchild Pierce County), Tymmony Keegan (educator, Renton School District), Joshua Lynch (Program Supervisor, OSPI), Rogelio Rigor (educator, Seattle Public Schools), and Paulette Thompson (public school educator).

The final workshop will focus on the court's role in the school-to-prison pipeline, how students become court-involved, and what courts are doing to disrupt the pipeline. Judge Saint Clair confirmed as a panelist. Panel will also include a prosecutor, Teamchild attorney, and community advocates.

Youth Events

Tri-Cities Youth & Justice Forum – November 3, 2017, Columbia Basin College, Pasco, WA

The forum, open to all eighth through twelfth grade students in the Tri-Cities and surrounding areas, accomplishes its mission by encouraging students, especially those of color and from communities historically underrepresented in justice system profession, to pursue careers in the justice system. Volunteers from every area of the justice system came to encourage, inspire, and mentor the youth. The theme for the 14th Annual forum was "How Science and Technology Can Help Us in Our Quest for Justice." Students were able to hear presentations about forensic science, drones, social media monitoring, and other technology and law topics. The event was sponsored by: Battelle, Loren Miller Bar Association, AACCES, Gonzaga University School of Law, Seattle University School of Law, University of Washington School of Law, QLaw, Karen C. Koehmstedt, Attorney at Law, William Covington, Attorney at Law, Washington State Minority and Justice Commission, Columbia Basin College, and Educational Service District 123.

- Civics Day for Kent and Renton School Districts January 8-19, 2018
- UW Law Academy March 9, 2018, Seattle, WA
- Yakima Youth & Justice Forum ("Technology and the Law") April 20, 2018, Heritage College, Toppenish, WA

MJC has budgeted \$1000 to support. Please contact Kimberly Bellamy Thompson at Bellamy-Thompson K@heritage.edu for more information.

Seattle Youth & Justice Forum ("What's the CODE? Technology, Law, and Justice!") – April 21, 2018, 8 am – 1:30 pm, First A.M.E. Church (1522 14th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98122)

Open to all youth. Please contact Judge McCullough for more information. MJC has budgeted \$1000 to support.

Budget Update

MJC has spent \$20,187 of its \$70,000 as of December 2017. Fiscal year is halfway over and we are not expected to go over budget at this rate.

Shout-outs:

- Mike Diaz for his appointment to the King County Superior Court bench by Governor Inslee;
- Judge Coburn, Anthony Gipe, and P. Diane Schneider for representing the Commission for the first time at the WASCLA Summit;
- Judge Coburn for her leadership on the LFO Calculator project, and her participation on the Jury Diversity Task Force, and Pretrial Reform Task Force;
- Lisa Castilleja for her help organizing today's meeting;
- Judge Doyle for work on a bail law summary, bench card, and literature review for the Pretrial Reform Task; and
- Our law student liaisons for their work on their proposals.

LAW STUDENT LIAISON PRESENTATIONS

Each year, the law student liaisons from each school organize an event or project to further the Commission's mission in their law school and greater community. Liaisons presented their submitted co-sponsorship requests. Commission members asked questions and gave suggestions for content and speakers.

Gonzaga University School of Law

ACTION: Unanimous vote to approve as requested:

Co-Sponsorship (Level 2)

\$365 for printing and parking passes for speakers, publicity (MJC listed as a co-sponsor on all promotional materials and helps advertise), and planning support

Sanctuary Cities, DACA, and Immigrants' Rights February 27, 2018, 5-7 pm Gonzaga University School of Law, Barbieri Courtroom

Seattle University School of Law

ACTION: Unanimous vote to approve as requested:

Co-Sponsorship (Level 2)

\$600 for in-house catering of refreshments and printed materials, publicity (MJC listed as co-sponsor on all promotional materials and helps advertise), and planning support

Immigration Issues in Civil and Criminal Litigation and Administrative Proceedings February 28, 2018, 5-8 pm Seattle University School of Law

University of Washington School of Law

ACTION: Unanimous vote to approve as requested:

Co-Sponsorship (Level 2)

\$1000 for in-house catering of refreshments, speaker honoraria, and printed materials, publicity (MJC listed as co-sponsor on all promotional materials and helps advertise), and planning support

Just for Kids: Discussing Ongoing Efforts, Innovations, and Challenges in the Washington Juvenile Justice System
April 12, 2018, 4-7 pm

University of Washington School of Law

Carolyn will follow up with each school to discuss next steps and prepare letter of agreements to be signed by their school finance officers. Liaisons will incorporate feedback and follow up with suggestions from the Commission.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Committee - Justice Stephens and Judge Smith

Upcoming programs:

Judicial College - January 30, 2018, 8-11:30 am, Heathman Lodge, Vancouver, WA

"Emerging Through Bias: Towards a More Fair and Equitable Courtroom" – Judge Montoya-Lewis (Judge Whitener shadowing) and Judge Galvan

Appellate Conference - March 28, 8:30 am - 12 pm, Suncadia Resort, Cle Elum, WA

MJC will connect with Professor Kim Ambrose to arrange for honoraria for the impacted community member panel.

SCJA Spring Conference

• SCJA Batson Session (April 9, 1-2 pm plenary, 2:15-3:30 pm choice)

The proposal was split into two sessions. Part 1 will be a plenary that will be applicable to all judges and commissioners and explore how bias can play out in a variety of judicial determinations. Part 2 will be a choice session that will be the mock Batson hearing. Part 2 faculty will be Judge Galvan, Sal Mungia, and Becky Roe. Part 1 faculty are to be confirmed. We are co-sponsoring this session

with the SCJA Equality & Fairness Committee. Judge Whitener will serve as the Equality & Fairness Committee liaison and they have agreed to provide funding.

• SCJA Joint Commissions Immigration Session (April 9, 8-9:30 am plenary)

Faculty: Grace Huang, Judge Estudillo, Milena Waldron

Objectives:

- 1. Understand the current legal landscape of immigration enforcement in Washington State.
- Understand what a U Visa Certification is and why a Judicial Officer may be asked to sign one.
- 3. Review ER 413 and discuss its implementation.
- 4. Be prepared to assess and modify courthouse policies and procedures, including policies about scheduling interpreters, to increase access for immigrants, and specifically immigrant victims of crime.

Faculty has had a planning meeting and submitted session description.

Superior Court Administrator's Program - April 8, Campbell's Resort, Chelan, WA

Committee approved co-sponsoring a session like the SCJA immigration session. Grace Huang available to serve as faculty.

DMCJA Spring Conference – June 4, 8-10:15 am, Campbell's Resort, Chelan, WA

DMCJA Batson Session

Sal Mungia and Rebecca Roe confirmed. Judge Marilyn Paja will serve as the trial judge.

Fall Judicial Conference - September 23-26, Yakima, WA

Proposals submitted:

- Poverty as a Barrier to Justice How Courts Can Stop Being Part of the Problem and Help Create Solutions - MJC
- A Fair System for LEP Children and Connected Adults: The Importance of Linguistic and Cultural Competency – IC, MJC, ATJ Board
- Immigration's Impact on the Judiciary: Implementing New Evidence Rule 413 GJCOM, MJC, IC
- Combating Muslim Bias in Washington Courts: Equipping and Empowering Judges BJA Public Trust & Confidence Committee and MJC

All of the proposals we submitted were approved as is except the poverty session. We were asked to combine our proposal with another poverty session proposal that was submitted by the Legal Foundation of Washington. Justice Stephens volunteered to serve as the liaison.

<u>District and Municipal Court Management Association Regional Trainings – April 2018, locations</u> throughout Washington

Education Committee approved co-sponsoring these poverty simulation trainings. Karen Dunn, Community Services Block Grant Manager, WA State Department of Commerce, has agreed to be the trainer. Commission has \$1500 in the budget for DMCMA.

Juvenile Justice Committee - Annie Lee

Annie Lee provided updates on local developments:

Ban on Solitary Confinement - KC Council press release

Metropolitan King County Council voted to end the use of solitary confinement/isolation as county policy, reducing its use to instances where, because of safety, security or another reason, a less restrictive option is not available.

King County's public Health approach to juvenile justice and detention oversight

The purpose of this executive order is to establish an interdepartmental team that will provide the Executive with a plan and timeline to restructure juvenile detention into a public health model using a therapeutic approach to the delivery of juvenile detention services in King County.

Outreach Committee - Lisa Castilleja

The Outreach Committee needs help soliciting artwork and annual report articles. It also welcomes submissions from MJC members, including law student liaisons. Deadline has been extended to March 31.

Workforce Diversity Committee – Judge Bonnie Glenn and Judge Veronica Alicea-Galvan

Justice C.Z. Smith Awards

WSBA Diversity Award re-naming

Judge Glenn and Judge Galvan updated the Commission that the WSBA Board of Governors voted to approve the re-naming of the award to the "Justice Charles Z. Smith Excellent in Diversity Award." Judge Glenn and Judge Galvan attended the meeting to remind the Board of Justice Smith's contributions and the importance of preserving his legacy for future generations. The award will be presented for the first time at the annual WSBA APEX Awards dinner on September 27 to a lawyer, law firm, or law-related group that has made a significant contribution to diversity in the legal profession.

• The ceremony for the law school awards will be the Black Law Students Association Alumni Reception at SU School of Law on February 22, 2018, 5:30 – 7 p.m. Judge Glenn can attend the reception on behalf of MJC.

Jury Diversity Task Force - Judge Steve Rosen

First in-person meeting is scheduled for January 31, 1-4 pm, AOC SeaTac Office. At this meeting we will discuss our reform priority areas and creating a strategic plan for the year. Members of the Task Force currently include representation from Washington Appleseed, SU, defenders, WAPA, minority bar associations, judges, court administrators, federal court, Northwest Justice Project, and jury managers. We are also inviting legislators. Judge Rosen emphasized that this is an action committee committed to moving forward the recommendations by the end of the year. MJC's juror demographic survey made Washington the second state to keep track of that data. New York requires it by law, but he was unaware if that data has been used in any way. It was suggested that we also invite impacted community members to participate.

Tribal State Court Consortium – Judge Lori K. Smith

Judge Smith shared that workgroups are exploring the transfer of ICWA cases, creation of a court rule regarding the communications between state and tribal court judges, and full faith and credit issues with protection orders. The location of the next regional meeting has not been confirmed yet.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

The Outreach and Workforce Diversity Committees met immediately following the meeting.

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING:		
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