



Board for Judicial Administration (BJA) Meeting
Friday, November 19, 2021, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Videoconference

MEETING MINUTES

BJA Members Present:

Chief Justice Steven González, Chair
Judge Tam Bui, Member Chair
Judge Rachelle Anderson
Judge Jennifer Forbes
Judge Rebecca Glasgow
Judge Marilyn Haan
Judge Dan Johnson
Judge Mary Logan
Judge David Mann
Terra Nevitt
Commissioner Rick Leo
Judge Rebecca Pennell
Dawn Marie Rubio
Judge Michael Scott
Judge Charles Short
Judge Paul Thompson
Brian Tollefson

Guests Present:

Ellen Attebery
Esperanza Borboa
Derek Byrne
Timothy Fitzgerald
Chris Gaddis
Erin Lennon
Justice Barbara Madsen
David Reynolds
Judge Kevin Ringus
Judge Phillip Sorensen

**Administrative Office of the Courts
(AOC) Staff Present:**

Crissy Anderson
Judith Anderson
Vonnie Diseth
Jeanne Englert
Heidi Green
Sondra Hahn
Kyle Landry
Penny Larsen
Stephanie Oyler
Caroline Tawes

Call to Order

Chief Justice González called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Chief Justice González and seconded by Judge Bui to approve the Public Trust and Confidence nominations and the October 15, 2021, BJA minutes as provided in the meeting materials. The motion carried unanimously.

Presentation: Judicial Information Service Committee (JISC) Update

Justice Barbara Madsen and AOC Chief Information Officer and Information Services Division Director Vonnie Diseth presented an overview of the JISC. Vonnie Diseth discussed the JISC governance process, responsibilities, and membership. She also provided an update on the Courts of Limited Jurisdiction Case Management System (CLJ-CMS) project and current JISC priorities.

Presentation: Court Management Council (CMC)

Dawn Marie Rubio reviewed the function and membership of the CMC. In the past year, much of the work of the CMC has revolved around maintaining consistent court operations during the COVID-19 public health emergency. The CMC has also discussed the impact of recent legislation on courts, the issue of unrepresented litigants and how administrators should respond and assist them through court processes, and the ongoing issues of race equity in courts.

Judge Phil Sorensen shared his nomination statement, and Dawn Marie Rubio presented the Court Manager of the Year award to Pierce County Superior Court Administrator Chris Gaddis. Chris Gaddis thanked the judges and staff with whom he works. Chief Justice González invited Chris Gaddis to write down his thanks for inclusion in the meeting minutes.

CMC Updates

Association of Washington Superior Court Administrators (AWSCA):

The AWSCA hopes to be able to co-locate with the Superior Court judges for their spring conference. The AWSCA continues to work on the Uniform Guardian Act and *Blake* issues.

District and Municipal Court Management Association (DMCMA):

The DMCMA is continuing their diversity, equity, and inclusion trainings. The *Courageous Conversations* training was opened to all court staff and stakeholders and had a good turnout. They will continue with that series of trainings.

Washington Association of Juvenile Court Administrators (WAJCA):

The WAJCA Executive Board met last month to discuss their legislative agenda. They are working with the Department of Children, Youth and Families and the Superior Court Judges' Association on detention releases.

Washington State Association of County Clerks (WSACC):

The WSACC is in the execution phase of *Blake* and unlawful detainer issues.

Court of Appeals:

Lea Ennis is the new court administrator/clerk the Court of Appeals Division I, and Tristen Worthen is the new court administrator/clerk the Court of Appeals Division III. The Court of Appeals is focusing on programming work for their case management system.

Supreme Court:

The primary focus of the Supreme Court is the pending infrastructure repair. The Supreme Court will be relocating during the repairs. They continue to address race, equity, and inclusion issues, and have planned a set of their own trainings.

Other

Jeanne Englert shared a link to the House Civil Rights and Judiciary Committee work session on the Washington State Court System than begins at 10:00 a.m. this morning.

Jeanne Englert thanked the CMC for attending the meeting, and invited them back to the February 18, 2022, BJA meeting where the adequate court funding survey results will be shared.

Judge Bui also thanked the CMC and other participants for getting together and sharing ideas.

BJA Task Forces

Court Recovery: No report

Court Security: A written report was included in the meeting materials.

Standing Committee Reports

Written reports for the Budget and Funding Committee, the Court Education Committee, the Legislative Committee, and the Policy and Planning Committee were included in the meeting materials.

Other

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Recap of Motions from the November 19, 2021 Meeting

Motion Summary	Status
To approve the Public Trust and Confidence nominations and the October 15, 2021, BJA minutes as provided in the meeting materials.	Passed

Action Items from the November 19, 2021 Meeting

Action Item	Status
<u>October 15, 2021, BJA Meeting Minutes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Post the minutes online• Send minutes to the Supreme Court for inclusion in the En Banc meeting materials.	Done Done