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Stephanie Happold, Committee Chair
Data Dissemination Committee
Administrative Office of the Courts
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Subject: Request for Special Access Exemption for Kitsap County Prosecutor's Office

Ms. Happold:

I am requesting a special access exemption be granted to the Kitsap County Prosecutor's Office to allow a representative from the Prosecutor's Office to enter PCN information into the Judicial Information System (JIS) for the Kitsap County Superior Court Clerk's Office.

The Prosecutor's Office has entered the PCN information on the PCN screen in JIS for the court for many years. The PCN information is the Process Control Number given to identify a defendant's fingerprints taken at the time of arrest. This information is entered into the PCN screen and is automatically downloaded to the Washington State Patrol Identification Section to update an individual's criminal history.

The Prosecutor's Office volunteered to input the PCN information to expedite the entry of PCN numbers into various court databases, as they were responsible for charging decisions so defendant criminal history would be more streamlined and as "real time" as possible. This logical and helpful process has served the courts and our office well.

Therefore, I join the courts in requesting that the Data Dissemination Committee grant the Kitsap County Prosecutor's Office an exemption for special access to JIS to allow a Kitsap County Prosecutor's Office clerk the ability to enter the PCN information into JIS.

Sincerely,

Dave Peterson, Kitsap County Clerk