WASHINGTON COURTS	**JISC DATA DISSEMINATION COMMITTEE** **Friday June 28, 2019 (9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.)** **Administrative Office of the Courts** **SeaTac Office Building** **18000 International Blvd. Suite 1106, Conf. Rm #2** **SeaTac, WA 98188** **Call-in Number: 1-877-820-7831, Passcode 797974**

DRAFT – MEETING MINUTES

Members Present	**Guests Present**
Judge J. Robert Leach, Chair Judge Scott K. Ahlf	Ms. Jennifer Ortega, Access to Justice – Technology Committee
Ms. Brooke Powell	Ms. Melissa Santos, Crosscut Reporter
Ms. Paulette Revoir	Mr. Bret Barden, MDRC Research Associate
Judge David A. Svaren	Mr. Brent Parnell, MDRC Council
Members Absent	**Staff Present**
Judge Jeannette Dalton	John Bell, Data Dissemination Administrator
Judge John H. Hart	Kathy Bowman, MSD Admin. Secretary (telephonically)
Ms. Barb Miner	Mike Keeling, AOC IT Operations Manager

0. Call to Order

Judge J. Robert Leach called the June 28, 2019, Data Dissemination Committee meeting to order at 9:01 am.

1. February 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes

With no changes or additions suggested by the Committee, the February 22, 2019 Data Dissemination Meeting minutes were approved as written.

2. MDRC Request for Limitation Language in Data Dissemination Contract

Brent Parnell, council for MDRC, presented the organization's argument that the current DDC contract language at section 14.1 is perceived as potentially infringing on the independence and integrity of their research and final product. Judge Leach noted this is standard contract language used by the AOC, there is a history of its use with numerous other researchers, and none have reported back to DDC they were not able to independently report their research.

MDRC maintained their concern that an objection "down the road" could cause them to cancel or change their findings, calling those findings into question. Judge Leach responded that this argument can cut both ways, and that MDRC is giving the impression they don't trust AOC to act responsibly. MDRC said they could offer a review process where if AOC disagrees with the way data has been interpreted, MDRC would publish the list of disagreements with their report. MDRC also said they could agree to language that would allow AOC 30-60 days to review and provide objections that MDRC would consider, if they

felt the objections were reasonable. Their bottom line is that MDRC should be able to publish their research findings without the potential of objection or denial by AOC.

John Bell commented that if MDRC wants to have access to AOC data, they can agree to the contract as written. MDRC would have the option to take AOC to court if they felt AOC's objection to the use of the data was unreasonable and not rationally based.

Brent Parnell replied that MDRC conducts its research with both parties committing to providing solid results and the last thing they want to rely on is litigation to publish their research findings. Contract language that would bind their findings on AOC approval is not acceptable.

Judge Svaren stated the language of the contract is standard and he has no memory that anyone has ever misused AOC data to the extent AOC had to object to it. Judge Svaren made a motion that Data Dissemination Contract language remain unchanged. The motion was seconded, and passed unanimously. Contract language at section 14.1 will be maintained and agreed to if MDRC wishes to have access to AOC data.

3. **Crosscut Request for Case Numbers and Date of Birth for Juvenile Court Records**
   Melissa Santos, with Crosscut, presented a request for data to include case numbers and date of birth for juveniles charged with crimes related to sending/possessing/dealing and viewing depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct since January 1, 2019, reasoning these identifiers will ensure accurate and complete reporting. John Bell based his denial on section 5 of the Data Dissemination policy which states, "Juvenile offender court records shall be excluded from any bulk distribution of JIS records….". Brook Powell made a motion to deny Crosscut's request to provide case numbers and date of birth with juvenile charges data. The motion was seconded, and passed unanimously.

4. **Other Business**
   - At the February 22, 2019 DDC meeting, Brook Powell reported that sealed Case Type 8 files were no longer included in BIT inquiries. Ms. Powell was happy to report back today that AOC has fixed the issue and field data can again be queried. No further Committee action will be required.

   - Mike Keeling reported that access to JABS is also working, another success.

   - John Bell reported applicant interviews are ongoing for the open Data Dissemination Administrator position.

With no other business to discuss, Judge Leach adjourned the June 28, 2019 Data Dissemination Committee meeting at 9:53 am.

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