Judicial Information System Committee Meeting, December 4, 2015

DECISION POINT – Approval of the Interim Process for Requesting Updates to the JIS Data Standards for Local Automated Court Record Systems.

MOTION:

- I move that the JISC approve the interim process for requesting updates to the JIS Data Standards as recommended from the Expedited Data Exchange (EDE) Project Steering Committee.

I. BACKGROUND

The current JIS Data Standards were introduced to the JISC at their June 27, 2014 meeting. The JIS Data Standards contain the general and specific data elements that local automated court record systems must send to the AOC Enterprise Data Repository (EDR) for sharing on a statewide basis. The statewide standards are necessary to ensure the availability and integrity of statewide information on which all courts, judicial partners, AOC, and the general public depend.

The standards were approved at that meeting, subject to the condition that AOC would continue to gather input from concerned parties over the summer months and would provide that feedback to the JISC at their next meeting in September. AOC continued to meet with the stakeholder groups (King County Clerk, Pierce County Clerk, King County District Court, Spokane District Court, and Seattle Municipal Court) throughout August and reported back at the September JISC meeting. Modifications were made to the standards based on the stakeholder's feedback. A revised JIS Data Standard for Local Automated Court Record Systems was approved by the JISC at their October 24, 2014 meeting. That standard specified that changes to the contents of the standard were to be proposed and approved through the ITG process.

II. DISCUSSION

Both King County District Court and the King County Clerk's Office have chosen to implement their own local case management systems. In July of 2015, the Legislature provided funding for AOC to work with King County representatives on a joint project known as the Expedited Data Exchange. The purpose of the project is to ensure the proper technical architecture is in place to enable the sharing of statewide data once King County District Court has implemented their own case management system. They are to be the "pilot" court for the Information Networking Hub (INH) and Enterprise Data Repository (EDR).

As the technical teams are meeting, they may discover important information that is missing from the standard. In that case, the technical team would bring the issue and justification to add a missing data element to the Project Steering Committee for their review and approval.

The project team would incorporate the change on a provisional basis and then forward the change through the broader work group and to the JISC for final approval and inclusion in the standard. This proposed process is necessary for quick action due to the urgency of the timeline for this project.

III. OUTCOME IF NOT PASSED

New data elements that may be necessary for the King County CMS implementations will be delayed while AOC schedules meetings with other stakeholder groups to vet the proposal to add a new data element to the standard. This will impact the timeline/schedule for King County.