Judicial Information System Committee Meeting, October 27, 2017

DECISION POINT – Superior Court Case Management System – Financial Assistance for USB Cash Drawers

MOTION:

- I move that the JISC approve the SC-CMS Project Steering Committee's recommendation to provide reimbursement for one USB cash drawer to those counties implementing Odyssey and requesting financial assistance.

I. BACKGROUND

The State has limited resources to apply to the SC-CMS project and counties across the state have limited resources to participate in the Odyssey rollout. Smaller local courts and clerks' offices, in particular, may need State funding and assistance to ensure that no court implementing Odyssey is left behind.

On June 24, 2016, the JISC unanimously approved the SC-CMS Project Steering Committee's recommendation regarding state and local implementation costs for the remainder of the statewide rollout of Odyssey (32) counties subject to the parameters set forth in the SC-CMS Implementation Cost Rules.

The 2016 approval of state and local implementation costs did not contemplate the business process need for a USB cash drawer.

II. DISCUSSION

SCOMIS currently records "no sale" transactions for the purpose of audit reporting.

A "no sale" transaction is used to open a cash drawer for any reason that is not based on receiving or disbursing cash. In order for this transaction to be recorded in Odyssey, a cash drawer connected by a USB cable is required.

The Odyssey courts are able to use the same cash drawers used with SCOMIS; however, an automated record is not created when accessing the cash drawer through a "no sale transaction", thereby limiting audit functionality. The USB cash drawer resolves this issue. The use of USB cash drawers is a best practice and recommendation by the State Auditor's Office to provide the full functionality of reporting for auditing purposes. The cost is approximately $100 per USB cash drawer.

OUTCOME IF NOT PASSED –

This issue must be resolved so there are no schedule delays to the implementation of Event #7 and Event #8. If this issue is not resolved; the lack of financial support to purchase the USB cash drawers for those counties requiring assistance could have a negative impact on whether or not the SC-CMS project can be successfully implemented in the remaining 14 counties as scheduled.