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Re: Request for Proposal for a new Superior Court Case Management System

Dear Ms. Gordon:

Thank you for your letter dated April 6, 2012. Your concern, as I understand it, is that WACDL would like assurance from the Judicial Information System Committee (JISC) that the proposed new Superior Court Case Management System be more flexible and better able to accommodate future policy changes, in regard to privacy issues on nonconviction records, vacated records, domestic violence restraining orders, or unlawful detainer actions; with minimal expense.

The Information Services Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts is currently reviewing the items identified in your letter against the approved business and technical requirements for the system to identify where those concerns are being taken into account.

You requested that your letter be included in the May 4, 2012 JISC meeting materials so that your concerns could be included in the Request for Proposal (RFP) discussion.

I have asked to have your letter included in the JISC meeting materials for May 4th. However, due to a very full agenda, it will not be discussed in any detail. The actual decision regarding the release of the RFP is now scheduled for the June 22, 2012 JISC meeting.

I can assure that we will keep your expressed concerns in mind as we move forward with the modernization effort. We agree that having a more flexible system in place will benefit the Washington State superior courts and the general public.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 360-357-2053.

Very truly yours,

Mary E. Fairhurst

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cc: JISC members
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