

Stephen E. Moore, Presiding Judge
Paulette Revoir, Court Administrator

September 9, 2020

The Honorable Debra L. Stephens
Chief Justice, Washington State Supreme Court
415 12th Ave SW
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Dear Chief Justice Stephens:

I am writing to express my support for passage of the proposed amendments to JISC Rule 13. As the Chair of the Courts of Limited Jurisdiction Case Management System Project Steering Committee, and member of the JISC, I urge you to consider the importance of the proposed amendments to the availability of judicial information statewide.

I was also a member of the workgroup that developed the proposed amendments by consensus agreement. That workgroup included representatives of courts with independent systems, specifically Judge Donna Tucker of King County District Court, Judge Scott Ahlf of Olympia Municipal Court, and Howard Delaney, Court Administrator for Spokane Municipal Court. The workgroup met four times for three hours each and worked to reach consensus on every word of the proposed language. This agreed language was passed by the JISC on a 13-1 vote.

It is crucial to public safety for all Washington courts and our justice partners to continue to have access to statewide judicial information. Every day our court depends on access to information from other courts. Several courts have purchased, or are planning to purchase, their own case management systems. As those courts move to their own systems, we lose critical information that judges, and court staff need to do their jobs every day.

The proposed amendments to JISCR 13 provide for clear communication and collaborative planning between courts and AOC to ensure minimum disruption to statewide data sharing. They also provide the JISC as the forum for settling any disagreements between courts and AOC regarding any temporary mitigation required to ensure that judicial officers and court staff have information that is critical to public safety.

That is why the proposed amendments to JISC Rule 13 are so important. Again, I urge you to pass the proposed amendments to protect the integrity of the information we depend on for the administration of justice.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Paulette N. Revoir, Chair
Courts of Limited Jurisdiction Case Management System
Project Steering Committee
Administrator, Lynnwood Municipal Court

On behalf of:

Judge Kimberly Walden, Tukwila Municipal Court
Judge Patricia Connolly-Walker, Spokane County District Court
Suzanne Elsner, Administrator, Marysville Municipal Court
Margaret Yetter, Administrator, Kent Municipal Court
Melanie Vanek, Probation Officer, Issaquah Municipal Court
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Cc: Hon. Charles Johnson
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Clerk of the Supreme Court,

On behalf of the Courts of Limited Jurisdiction Case Management System Project Steering Committee, I submit to you a letter of support for the passage of the proposed amendments to JISC Rule 13. The original letter of support will also be mailed to Chief Justice Stephens with a copy to Justices Johnson, Madsen, Owens, Gonzalez, McCloud, Yu, Montoya-Lewis, and Whitener.

Best,

Paulette N. Revoir

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