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JOINT APPELLATE TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

September 6, 2017
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Teleconference

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Louis Mauro, Chair; Hon. Peter Siggins; Hon. Alan Perkins, Mr. Joseph Lane, Mr. Jorge Navarrete; Mr. Kevin Green, and Ms. Kimberly Stewart.

Advisory Body Members Absent: Mr. Don Willenburg

Others Present: Ms. Christy Simons, Ms. Heather Anderson

OPEN SESSION

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Justice Mauro called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM, and roll was called. He noted there were no public comments received prior to this meeting.

ITEM 1 Review of potential items for inclusion on proposed committee annual agenda

Justice Mauro provided an update on the project to amend rule 8.144 to include formatting requirements for electronic reporters' transcripts. The proposed rule amendments circulated for public comment this spring and have been on hold pending AB 1450, the bill to amend Code of Civil Procedure section 271. The bill is on track at the Legislature. If signed, the new statute will take effect January 1, 2018. Rule amendments should take effect the same day.

The subcommittee discussed other rules modernization projects that are on the current annual agenda as priority 2 items and decided to recommend retaining them on the next annual agenda: (1) rule amendments to address online access to appellate court records for parties, attorneys, local justice partners, and other government agencies; (2) rules for sealed and confidential material submitted electronically; (3) return of lodged electronic records; (4) bookmarking; and (5) electronic exhibits.

Justice Mauro described the project to develop branch and model court privacy policies on electronic court records and access in the courts. The ITAC Rules and Policy Subcommittee is taking the lead and is in the process of preparing an initial draft. JATS will collaborate on the appellate portion.

The project to amend rules to address online access to trial court records for parties, their attorneys, local justice partners, and other government agencies is underway. JATS will review

what is ultimately proposed at the trial court level and use that to develop a companion proposal for access to appellate court records.

The subcommittee decided to defer a suggested project on link rot to see how the Supreme Court's new in-house solution works.

The subcommittee discussed providing input on implementation of a new document management system in the appellate courts, and decided to monitor, provide input, and request regular reports going forward.

The subcommittee discussed an article criticizing ImageSoft Truefiling, the system used by the California appellate courts for electronic filing, which raised the issue of whether there is adequate oversight of the system, including the information it provides to its customers and the fees it charges. The subcommittee concluded that Information Services should take the lead on providing oversight; the subcommittee will monitor.

A D J O U R N M E N T

The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 PM