



TRIBAL COURT–STATE COURT FORUM

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

December 14, 2023

12:15-1:15 pm

Zoom

Advisory Body Members Present:	Hon. Joyce Hinrichs, Cochair, Hon. April Attebury, Hon. Leonard Edwards (Ret.), Hon. Tara Flanagan, Mr. Christopher Haug, Hon. Joni Hiramoto, Hon. Lawrence King, Hon. Patricia Lenzi, Hon. Devon Lomayesva, Ms. Merri Lopez-Keifer, Hon. Nicholas Mazanec, Hon. Dorothy McLaughlin, Hon. Mark Ralphs, Hon. Victorio Shaw, Hon. Dean Stout, Hon. Alison Tucher, Ms. Stephanie Weldon, Hon. Christine Williams, Hon. Joseph Wiseman.
Advisory Body Members Absent:	Hon. Abby Abinanti, Cochair, Hon. Richard Blake, Hon. Ana España, Hon. Winston Keh, Hon. Kristina Lindquist, Hon. April Olson, Ms. Andrea Pella, Hon. Stephen Place, Ms. Christina Snider.
Others Present:	Ms. Audrey Fancy, Ms. Ann Gilmour, Ms. Amanda Morris.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:17 pm. and took roll call.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the October 26, 2023, Tribal Court–State Court Forum meeting.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1)

Item 1

Rules and Forms: *Family and Juvenile Law – Recognition and Enforcement of Tribal Child Custody Orders*

Presenter: Ann Gilmour, Attorney, Center for Families, Children, and the Courts

Ann Gilmour presented to the committee a proposal for two new and four revised forms regarding recognition and enforcement of tribal court child custody orders. The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee made stylistic changes to one of the forms, but no content was changed.

Judge Lawrence King motioned for approval to move the forms forward to the Rules Committee, Judge Joni Hiramoto seconded that motion. Judge April Attebury apposed the motion. The vote was deferred to an action by email to address comments from Judge Attebury.

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (ITEMS 1-2)

Item 1

Update on the October meeting of the National American Indian Court Judges Association (NAICJA)

Presenter: Hon. Dean Stout, Chief Judge of the Bishop Paiute Tribal Court

Judge Dean Stout gave committee members an overview of the National American Indian Court Judges Association conference held in Tulsa, Arizona in October 2023. Judge Richard Blake presented on topics including the ethics and pitfalls of artificial intelligence. The conference was well attended and will be held in Los Vegas, Nevada in 2024.

Item 2

California State-Federal Judicial Council

Presenters: Hon. Devon Lomayesva, Chief Judge of the Intertribal Court of Southern California and Judge Joseph Wiseman, Chief Judge of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians Tribal Court

Judges Wiseman and Lomayesva attended the meeting of the California State-Federal Judicial Council in San Diego, California in October 2023. They presented to Forum members a summary of their experience and presentation at the meeting. Topics covered included the Indian Child Welfare Act and Public Law 280. The Chief Justice of California requested that they present their material again on a much larger scale sometime in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on April 11, 2024.