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# REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

For business meeting on: December 14, 2012

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**Title**

AOC Restructuring: Additional Judicial Council Directive Regarding AOC Policy on Working Remotely (Telecommuting)

**Agenda Item Type**

Action Required

**Effective Date**

December 14, 2012

**Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes Affected**

None

**Date of Report**

December 11, 2012

**Recommended by**

Executive and Planning Committee  
Hon. Douglas P. Miller, Chair

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### Executive Summary

On August 31, 2012, the Judicial Council directed the Administrative Director of the Courts to ensure that the AOC adheres to its telecommuting (working remotely) policy consistently and to identify and correct all existing deviations and violations of the existing policy. The council also directed the Administrative Director to review that policy and provide the council with a report proposing any recommendations and amendments to the policy. The Executive and Planning Committee recommends that the council add an additional directive—to consider and report on alternatives, including whether this policy should remain in force—and return to the council with a report and recommendations for the council's February 2013 meeting.

### Recommendation

The Executive and Planning Committee recommends that, regarding the AOC telecommuting (working remotely) policy, the Judicial Council direct the Administrative Director of the Courts, in addition to the 2 directives from the August 31, 2012, council meeting, to consider and report on alternatives, including whether this policy should remain in force—and

return to the council with a report and recommendations for the council's February 2013 meeting.

### **Previous Council Action**

On August 31, 2012, the Judicial Council directed the Administrative Director of the Courts to ensure that the AOC adheres to its working remotely (telecommuting) policy consistently and to identify and correct all existing deviations and violations of the existing policy. The Council also directed the Administrative Director to review that policy and provide the council with a report proposing any recommendations and amendments to the policy.

### **Rationale for Recommendation**

At the February 2013 council meeting, the Executive and Planning Committee would like the council to consider alternatives, including the option of discontinuing the policy for working remotely at the AOC.

### **Comments, Alternatives Considered, and Policy Implications**

This recommendation from E&P has not received comment.

### **Implementation Requirements, Costs, and Operational Impacts**

No additional cost will be incurred as a result of adding this directive to the Administrative Director. Current AOC staff will support the Administrative Director in collecting information and analyzing it.