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WORKLOAD ASSESSMENT
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MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

November 29, 2017

12:00 pm

Teleconference

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Lorna A. Alksne, Chair; Hon. Charles R. Brehmer; Hon. Joyce D. Hinrichs; Hon. Jennifer K. Rockwell; Hon. Garrett L. Wong; Ms. Sherri Carter; Mr. Sean Metroka; Mr. Michael Planet; Mr. Brian Taylor

Advisory Body Members Absent: Mr. James Kim; Ms. Sheran Morton; Ms. Bonnie Sloan

Others Present: Ms. Leah Rose-Goodwin; Ms. Kristin Greenaway; Ms. Karen Viscia; Ms. Savet Hong; Ms. Lucy Fogarty; Ms. Rose Butler

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at noon, and took roll call.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the April 11, 2017, Workload Assessment Advisory Committee meeting and the May 2, 2017, action by e-mail.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1-3)

Info 1 Welcome New Members

The chair welcomed new committee members.

Item 2 (Taken out of order.) Report Back on the Assembly Bill (AB) 1058 Joint Subcommittee (Action Required)

Action: Hon. Joyce D. Hinrichs gave a report on the joint subcommittee's recent activities.

Info 2 Standards and Measures That Promote the Fair and Efficient Administration of Justice

The committee received a report regarding Standards and Measures that Promote the Fair and Efficient Administration of Justice.

Item 1 Proposed 2018 Annual Agenda

The committee reviewed the proposed annual agenda. Staff confirmed that a discussion and possible action item concerning a re-evaluation of the infractions' caseweight would be on the committee's next meeting agenda, even though it does not appear on the Annual Agenda.

Action: The committee unanimously approved the draft 2018 Annual Agenda to be forwarded to the Executive and Planning Committee.

Item 2 (Taken out of order. Please refer to the first page for the item.) Report Back on the Assembly Bill (AB) 1058 Joint Subcommittee (Action Required)

Item 3 Follow up on Quantity of Complex Civil Cases Filed by Government Entities

Committee staff gave a report on research completed since the workload study update last spring concerning complex civil cases filed by government entities. Based on survey data from six large counties, the number of cases filed by government plaintiffs represented a fraction of a percent of the total complex civil matters filed. The committee discussed whether a larger group of courts' data would produce different results. Committee member courts were asked to track these cases in their courts until the next committee meeting; at that time, WAAC could determine whether to raise the issue with the Judicial Branch Statistical Information System (JBSIS) Subcommittee of the Court Executives Advisory Committee (CEAC).

A D J O U R N M E N T

The chair announced that the next meeting of the Committee will be scheduled in February. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40 PM.

Approved by the advisory body on February 8, 2018.