

Probate Court Budget Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 20, 2010
4:00 PM

Library at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator
186 Newington Road, West Hartford, CT

The meeting was convened at 4:07 PM.

In attendance: Judge Paul J. Knierim, Probate Court Administrator and Chair, Judge Joseph Marino and Judge Dianne Yamin.

PCA staff in attendance: Andrea King, Director of Financial Services, Attorney Bonnie Bennet, Attorney Deb Cohen, and Vincent Russo.

Public Comment

Judge Knierim announced that the committee had received several pieces of correspondence.

Those submitting letters were:

Diane DuBaldo, Clerk of the Tolland Probate Court; Linda Chrzanowski, Clerk of the Enfield Probate Court; Elaine Johnson, Clerk of the Wallingford Probate Court; Eva LeBaron, Asst. Clerk of the Manchester Probate Court; Mary MacGregor, Clerk of the Glastonbury Probate Court and the President of the CT Association of Probate Clerks; Paula Verrier, Clerk of the Hebron Probate Court; Lori Crandall Macri, Asst. Clerk of the Glastonbury Probate Court; the CT Association of Probate Clerks; and the Middletown Probate Court staff

Judge Knierim asked for comments from those in attendance.

Those making comments were:

Lucille Brann, Clerk of the Wallingford Probate Court; Mary MacGregor, Clerk of the Glastonbury Probate Court and the President of the CT Association of Probate Clerks; Marianne Arancio Stilson, Clerk of the New Milford Probate Court and the Vice President of the CT Association of Probate Clerks; Maureen O'Connor, Clerk of the West Haven Probate Court; The Honorable Chris Kervik, Judge of the Windsor Locks Probate Court; Cynthia Zdanukis, Asst. Clerk of the Hartford Probate Court; Tracy Morrissey, Asst. Clerk of the West Haven Probate Court; Pat Saviano, Clerk of the Danbury Probate Court; Geraldine Miller, Clerk of the Ellington Probate Court; Janet Firulli, Clerk of the Meriden Court; Gale Pellegren, Clerk of the Torrington Probate

Court; Dina Falis, Asst. Clerk of the Meriden Probate Court; Carol Modugno, Asst. Clerk of the Manchester Probate Court; Susan Angelica, Clerk of the Manchester Probate Court; The Honorable Dom Calabrese, Judge of the Woodbury Probate Court; and The Honorable John Cooney, Judge of the Manchester Probate Court

Review Compensation Study Update and Progress of Objective Job Evaluations

Attorney Bonnie Bennet gave a brief report on the compensation study.

The objective job evaluation process is underway. Preliminary results are expected by the end of the month.

Review on Miscellaneous Office Budgets

Andrea King explained the process for collecting and analyzing office budget data from the courts. Ms. King then explained the reports that her office had prepared.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:51 PM.

The next meeting will be February 3, 2010 at 4 PM.