Judicial Council of California
Executive and Planning Committee
February 11, 2010, 4:00–4:15 p.m.
Conference Call

Members Participating: Judges Lee Smalley Edmon, Mary Ann O'Malley, Winifred Younge Smith, Kenneth K. So, and James Michael Welch; and Mr. Frederick K. Ohlrich, Mr. James N. Penrod, and Mr. Michael M. Roddy

Members Absent: Justice Richard D. Huffman

AOC Members Participating: Mr. Dennis Blanchard, Ms. Deborah Brown, Ms. Nancy Carlisle, Mr. Steven R. Crooks, Mr. Chad Finke, Mr. Kenneth L. Kann, Mr. Greg Keil, Ms. Shelly La Botte, Mr. Stephen Nash, Mr. Ronald G. Overholt, Ms. Chris Patton, Ms. Mary M. Roberts, Ms. Nancy E. Spero, and Mr. Michael Wright

Agenda Setting for the February 26, 2010, Judicial Council Meeting
The committee reviewed reports submitted for the February 26, 2010, Judicial Council business meeting and further set the agenda for the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald G. Overholt
Chief Deputy Director

Judicial Council of California
Executive and Planning Committee
February 19, 2010, 4:00–4:15 p.m.
Conference Call

Members Participating: Judges Lee Smalley Edmon, Mary Ann O'Malley, Winifred Younge Smith, Kenneth K. So, and James Michael Welch; and Mr. James N. Penrod and Mr. Michael M. Roddy

Members Absent: Justice Richard D. Huffman and Mr. Frederick K. Ohlrich

AOC Members Participating: Mr. Dennis Blanchard, Ms. Nancy Carlisle, Mr. John Judnick, Mr. Kenneth L. Kann, Mr. Stephen Nash, Ms. Diane Nunn, Mr. Ronald G. Overholt, Ms. Chris Patton, Ms. Mary M. Roberts

Agenda Setting for the February 26, 2010, Judicial Council Meeting
The committee reviewed a report submitted for the next Judicial Council business meeting and further set the agenda for the February 26, 2010, business meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald G. Overholt
Chief Deputy Director

Judicial Council of California
Executive and Planning Committee
February 24, 2010, 10:30–5:00 p.m.
Judicial Council Conference Center, Redwood Room
Revised on March 24, 2010

Members Participating: Justice Richard D. Huffman; Judges Lee Smalley Edmon, Mary Ann O'Malley, Winifred Younge Smith, Kenneth K. So, and James Michael Welch; and Mr. Frederick K. Ohlrich, Mr. James N. Penrod, and Mr. Michael M. Roddy

AOC Members Participating: Ms. Roma Cheadle, Mr. Kenneth L. Kann, and Ms. Nancy E. Spero

Minutes
The committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the February 4, 2010, Executive & Planning Committee meeting and its actions taken via e-mail on February 10, 2010.

Conversion of Subordinate Judicial Officer Positions (SJO)
The committee reviewed and approved staff's recommendation to grant a request from the Superior Court of San Diego County not to convert a vacant SJO position eligible for conversion thereby allowing the court to fill the vacant SJO position with another commissioner effective immediately.

Agenda Setting for the February 26, 2010, Judicial Council Meeting
The committee reviewed and approved staff's recommendation to remove Item 1 from the council's February 26, 2010, business meeting agenda and defer it to a future council meeting. This item is "Conflict of Interest: Code for the Administrative Office of the Courts." The committee also asked staff to clarify public notice and comment requirements for the amendment of the AOC Conflict of Interest Code and to develop guidelines on the process for public comment on non-rule policy proposals to the Judicial Council.

February 22, 2010, Request from Los Angeles Presiding Judge Regarding Fiscal Year 2010–2011 Judicial Branch Budget
The Executive and Planning Committee reviewed a letter to the Judicial Council from the Hon. Charles W. McCoy, Jr., Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County. In the letter, Judge McCoy requests that the Judicial Council obtain authority from the legislature and the Governor to redirect ongoing SB 1407 funds to court operations commencing at the beginning of fiscal year 2010-2011 to meet a $47 million on-going need for the Los Angeles court and to meet equivalent ongoing needs in other trial courts statewide. The Executive and Planning Committee referred the letter to the Administrative Director of the Courts and asked that he report back with additional

information concerning other courts, analysis, additional options, and recommendations as part of the council's budget process for FY 2010–11.

Advisory Committee and Task Force Annual Agenda Review

The Executive and Planning Committee reviewed and approved the 2010 advisory committee and task force annual agendas presented by the chairs, vice-chairs, and principal staff of the nine committees and task forces for which the Chief Justice has assigned oversight.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth L. Kann
Director, Executive Office Programs Division

Judicial Council of California
Executive and Planning Committee
March 8, 2010, 4:00 – 4:45 p.m.
Conference Call

Members Participating: Justice Richard D. Huffman; Judges Lee Smalley Edmon, Mary Ann O'Malley, Winifred Younge Smith, Kenneth K. So, and James Michael Welch; and Mr. James N. Penrod, Mr. Frederick K. Ohlrich, and Mr. Michael M. Roddy

AOC Members Participating: Mr. Dennis Blanchard, Ms. Nancy Carlisle, Ms. Rose Coyle, Mr. Mark W. Dusman, Mr. Evan Garber, Ms. Renea Hatcher, Mr. Kenneth L. Kann, Mr. Mark Moore, Mr. Ronald G. Overholt, Ms. Virginia Sanders-Hinds, Ms. Nancy E. Spero, Mr. William C. Vickrey

Minutes
The committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the February 19, 2010, and February 24, 2010, committee meetings.

Cost Analysis of Court Case Management Systems for Individual Courts
The committee was briefed by AOC staff on an analysis of the costs for all 58 trial courts to individually replace their current case management systems for all case types. The committee discussed the findings of the analysis.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald G. Overholt
Chief Deputy Director

Judicial Council of California
Executive and Planning Committee
March 11, 2010
Proposal Circulated by E-mail on March 9, 2010

Members Voting: Justice Richard D. Huffman; Judges, Mary Ann O'Malley, Winifred Younge Smith, Kenneth K. So, and James Michael Welch; and Mr. James N. Penrod and Mr. Michael M. Roddy

Members Not Voting: Judge Lee Smalley Edmon and Mr. Frederick K. Ohlrich

Staff Participating: Ms. Nancy E. Spero

Public Notice of and Opportunity to Comment on AOC Conflict of Interest Code
The committee reviewed and approved staff recommendations to authorize 30 days of public comment on amendments to the AOC Conflict of Interest Code.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth L. Kann
Director, Executive Office Programs Division

Judicial Council of California
Executive and Planning Committee
March 22, 2010
Proposal Circulated by E-mail on March 18, 2010

Members Voting: Justice Richard D. Huffman; Judges, Mary Ann O'Malley, Kenneth K. So, Winifred Younge Smith, and James Michael Welch; and Mr. Frederick K. Ohlrich, Mr. James N. Penrod, and Mr. Michael M. Roddy

Members Not Voting: Judge Lee Smalley Edmon

Staff Participating: Ms. Nancy E. Spero

Conversions of Subordinate Judicial Officer Positions (SJOs)
The committee reviewed and approved AOC staff recommendations confirming the conversion of two vacant SJO positions and a third anticipated to be vacant on April 30, 2010, in the Superior Court of Los Angeles County. The effective date approved by the committee for converting each of these positions is July 1, 2010, or the date of legislative ratification of the authority to convert positions in Fiscal Year 2010–2011, whichever is later. The committee authorized the court to fill the converted positions, if desired, with a retired commissioner, pending the passage of the Budget Act for Fiscal Year 2010–2011 and until a judge is appointed and sworn for each position.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth L. Kann
Director, Executive Office Programs Division

Judicial Council of California
Executive and Planning Committee
March 29, 2010, 4:00–4:40 p.m.
Conference Call

Members Participating: Justice Richard D. Huffman; Judges Lee Smalley Edmon, Mary Ann O'Malley, Winifred Younge Smith, Kenneth K. So, and James Michael Welch; and Mr. Frederick K. Ohlrich, Mr. James N. Penrod, and Mr. Michael M. Roddy

Other Council Members Participating: Justice Brad R. Hill and Judge Dennis E. Murray

AOC Members Participating: Ms. Heather Anderson, Mr. Dennis Blanchard, Ms. Nancy Carlisle, Ms. Christine Cleary, Mr. Steven Crooks, Mr. Chad Finke, Ms. Donna S. Hershkowitz, Mr. Burt Hirschfeld, Ms. Bonnie Hough, Mr. Kenneth L. Kann, Mr. William L. Kasley, Ms. Susan McMullan, Mr. Douglas C. Miller, Mr. Stephen Nash, Mr. Ronald G. Overholt, Ms. Christine Patton, Ms. Pam Reynolds, Ms. Robin Seeley, Ms. Nancy E. Spero, Ms. Maria Topete, Mr. William C. Vickrey, and Mr. Michael Wright

Minutes
The committee reviewed and approved the minutes for the Executive & Planning Committee meetings held on February 11, 2010, March 8, 11, and 22, 2010, and a revision to the committee minutes of February 24, 2010.

Agenda Setting for the April 23, 2010, Judicial Council Meeting
The committee reviewed reports and set the agenda for the next Judicial Council business meeting.

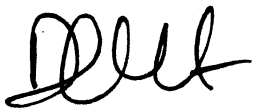
Interim Policies for Third Party Use of Court Facilities
The committee reviewed and approved, on behalf of the Judicial Council under Rule 10.11(a), interim policies for third party use of appellate and trial court facilities.

Judicial Council Issues Meetings Topics
The committee reviewed the results of a March 2009 survey of council members on their interests regarding future issues meeting topics and approved the recommendation to survey the council members in April 2010.

Information Only Items

The committee received a memorandum: Action Items and Key Points from the February 24, 2010, Advisory Committee and Task Force Annual Agenda Review Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronald G. Overholt
Chief Deputy Director

JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA
POLICY COORDINATION AND LIAISON COMMITTEE

Conference Call Meeting
February 24, 2010

Summary Minutes of Meeting

Policy Coordination and Liaison Committee members present: Hon. Brad R. Hill, Vice-Chair; Hon. Terry B. Friedman; Hon. Michael P. Vicencia; Hon. Sharon J. Waters; Mr. Anthony P. Capozzi; Mr. Joel S. Miliband; and Mr. Michael D. Planet.

Policy Coordination and Liaison Committee members absent: Hon. Marvin R. Baxter, Chair.

OGA staff present: Mr. Curtis Child, Ms. Donna S. Hershkowitz, Ms. June Clark, Mr. Daniel Pone, and Ms. Yvette Trevino.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of minutes

The minutes of the January 19, 2010, conference call were approved as submitted.

2. Consent Item

None

3. Discussion Items

a) AB 1697 (Hall), as introduced *and* as conceptually proposed to be amended – Court security
Directs that the allocation to each sheriff be determined by the Judicial Council's Working Group on Court Security; makes all persons who provide court security services employees of and under the direction of the county sheriff; extends the sunset date on the $10 increase in court security fee from 2011 to 2016 and directs that the revenue from this fee be placed in a special account; provides that this fee shall be adjusted annually based on the change in the California Price Index; eliminates newly enacted provisions that exclude sheriffs' retiree health costs from the allowable costs of benefits paid by the judicial branch and that direct that salary and benefits be based on the average salary and benefits for the classification of sheriff posted in the court. As conceptually proposed to be amended, provides that funding shall be appropriated directly to the sheriffs, or in some combination to the sheriffs and the trial courts.
PCLC Action: Oppose as introduced; oppose as conceptually proposed to be amended.

4. **Informational Items**
   AB 2521 (Torrico) – Courts: budget and fiscal management
   Donna Hershkowitz informed the committee of the bill and shared a copy of the Alliance of California Judges legislative proposal. *Was added to the agenda.*
   PCLC Action: No action required.

OTHER BUSINESS

Confirm next PCLC conference call:
Proposed date: March 9, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

Curtis L. Child, Director
Office of Governmental Affairs

Minutes

Rules and Projects Committee Teleconference
Friday, December 4, 2009
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
800-644-1474

Members present: Hon. Dennis Murray (Chair), Hon. Tani Cantil-Sakauye (Vice-Chair), Hon. George Abdallah, Jr., Hon. Lon Hurwitz, Ms. Kim Turner, and Hon. Erica R. Yew.

Members absent: Ms. Miriam A. Krinsky, and Hon. David S. Wesley.

RUPRO staff present: Ms. Deborah Brown, Ms. Susan McMullan, and Ms. Camilla Kieliger.

AOC staff present: Mr. Curtis Child Ms. Donna Hershkowitz, Ms. Linda Nguyen, Mr. Dan Pone, Ms. Mary M. Roberts, and Ms. Ann Springgate.

Proposals to approve and to recommend for Judicial Council approval

Court Administration

Item 1 **Rules to provide public access to nondeliberative and nonadjudicative court records, budget, and management information relating to the administration of the courts (adopt Cal. Rules of Court, rules 10.500 and 10.501; repeal rule 10.802; and amend rule 10.803)**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee recommended approval on the Judicial Council's discussion agenda with the following modifications:

Report, page 8, last paragraph:
Change to read "To mitigate the impact of the proposed rules 10.500 and 10.501 on the operating costs of judicial branch entities, if Alternative #2 were selected the AOC would establish, on council direction, a fund from which judicial branch entities would be able to [add a verb] reimbursement for certain direct costs of responding to requests for judicial administrative records and information."

Fee guidelines:
Clarify that a court can be reimbursed for actual costs incurred in personnel search and review time over two hours only up to an average amount based on the average statewide hourly rate for salary and benefits for a mid-step Legal Process Clerk.

Clarify that duplication costs for copies other than 8.5"x11" and 8.5"x14 paper copies will be set at the actual cost of production.

Minutes

Rules and Projects Committee Teleconference
Wednesday, December 9, 2009
12:00 - 1:15 p.m.
800-318-9100

Members present: Hon. Dennis Murray (Chair), Hon. Tani Cantil-Sakauye (Vice-Chair), Hon. George Abdallah, Jr., Hon. Lon Hurwitz, Ms. Miriam A. Krinsky, Ms. Kim Turner, Hon. David S. Wesley, and Hon. Erica R. Yew.

RUPRO staff: Ms. Deborah Brown, Ms. Susan McMullan, and Ms. Camilla Kieliger.

AOC Staff: Ms. Heather Anderson, Mr. Arturo Castro, Ms. Ann Gilmour, Ms. Bonnie Hough, Mr. Mark Jacobson, Mr. Douglas C. Miller, Ms. Jody Patel, and Ms. Jennifer Walter.

Proposals to approve for circulation for comment

Presiding Judges

Item 1 **Authority and Duties of the Presiding Judge Related to Setting and Modifying Executive Officer Total Compensation** (amend Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.603).

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved circulation for comment with the following modifications:

Rule 10.603(d):
Change to read: "Except for the duties listed in (c)(5)(A) and (B) and (c)(6)(C)."

Item 2 **Reporting Subordinate Judicial Officers to the Commission on Judicial Performance** (amend Cal. Rules of Court, rules 10.603 and 10.703)

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved circulation for comment with the following modifications:

Rule 10.703(k)(1):
Change to read: "If a court disciplines a subordinate judicial officer by written reprimand under (i)(4)(B) or (j)(~~2~~3)(C)or (D)."

Appellate

Item 3 **Appellate Procedure: Timeliness of Filings** (amend Cal. Rules of Court, rules 8.25, 8.104, 8.308, 8.406, 8.450, 8.454, 8.500, 8.817, 8.822, 8.853, and 8.902)

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved circulation for

comment with the following modifications:

Invitation to Comment:
Page 2, last paragraph: Change to be consistent with the proposed rule: rules 8.853 and 8.902 should reference rule 8.817 and not 8.25.

Court Technology

Item 4 **Appellate Procedure: Electronic Filing Pilot Program in Second Appellate District** (adopt California Rules of Court, rules 8.70 – 8.80)

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved circulation for comment with the following modifications:

Invitation to Comment:
Clarify that the pilot project is expected to end when additional courts have moved to CCMS.

The Rules and Projects Committee further asked that the Court Technology Advisory Committee in its future work consider including a clarification of rule 8.79(a)(1) to include a receipt to the electronic service provider consistent with 8.75(d)(3).

Criminal

Item 5 **Criminal Law: Intercounty Probation Case Transfer** (adopt Cal. Rules of Court, rule 4.530)

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved circulation for comment with the following modifications:

Rule 4.530:
(g)(5): Add "certified" after "complete."

(g)(7): Add a sentence to the end of the paragraph: "Any jail sentence imposed as a condition of probation prior to transfer must be served in the transferring county."

Family and Juvenile

Item 6 **Juvenile Law: Tribal Customary Adoption** (amend Cal. Rules of Court, rules 5.502, 5.690, 5.708, 5.715, 5.720, 5.722, 5.725, 5.726, 5.727, 5.728, 5.730, and 5.740; revise forms JV-300, JV-320, JV-321, JV-327, ADOPT-050, ADOPT-200, ADOPT-210, ADOPT-215 and ADOPT-220)

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee deferred action on this proposal until December 14, 2009 so staff can consider the following modifications:

Add an Advisory Committee comment to emphasize that although consent of a child under 12 is not required, the court may consider the child's desires d.

5.708(g)(5) and (6): Clarify what findings the court must make.

5.715(b)(5) and similar places where "in consultation with the child's tribe" is used: Clarify what type of entity the court is consulting with, and how that consultation is done. Additionally, the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee may want to consider adding to rule 5.502 to define "consultation" and the role of the judge.

Probate and Mental Health

Item 7 **Qualifications and Continuing Education of Paralegals Eligible for Compensation From Estates of Decedents, Conservatees, and Wards** (amend Cal. Rules of Court, rule 7.703).

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved circulation for comment.

Other Business

Item 8 **RUPRO Minutes (Sept. 29, 2009; Sept. 30, 2009; Oct. 16, 2009; Oct. 22, 2009; and Nov. 20, 2009)**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the minutes with the following modifications:

Commissioner Hurwitz did participate in the October 16 review by email, and was not present at the November, 20, 2009, meeting.

Approved by the committee on March 24, 2010.

Minutes

Rules and Projects Committee
Proposal Circulated by Email on Friday, December 11, 2009 and approved on Monday, December 14, 2009

Members participating: Hon. Dennis Murray (Chair), Hon. Tani Cantil-Sakauye (Vice-Chair), Hon. George Abdallah, Jr., Hon. Lon Hurwitz, Ms. Miriam A. Krinsky, Ms. Kim Turner, and Hon. Erica R. Yew.

Members absent: Hon. David S. Wesley.

RUPRO staff: Ms. Deborah Brown, Ms. Susan McMullan, and Ms. Camilla Kieliger.

AOC staff: Ms. Ann Gilmour and Ms. Jennifer Walter.

Proposals to approve for circulation for comment

Item 1 **Juvenile Law: Tribal Customary Adoption** (amend Cal. Rules of Court, rules 5.502, 5.690, 5.708, 5.715, 5.720, 5.722, 5.725, 5.726, 5.727, 5.728, 5.730, and 5.740; revise forms JV-300, JV-320, JV-321, JV-327, ADOPT-050, ADOPT-200, ADOPT-210, ADOPT-215 and ADOPT-220) *(Deferred from December 9, 2009)*

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved circulation for comment.

Approved by the committee on March 24, 2010.

Minutes

Rules and Projects Committee Teleconference
Tuesday, February 2, 2010
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Proposals to recommend for Judicial Council approval

Members present: Hon. Dennis Murray (Chair), Hon. Tani Cantil-Sakauye (Vice-Chair), Hon. Lon Hurwitz, Ms. Miriam A. Krinsky, Ms. Kim Turner, Hon. David S. Wesley, and Hon. Erica R. Yew.

Members present: Hon. George Abdallah, Jr.

RUPRO staff: Ms. Deborah Brown, Ms. Susan McMullan, and Ms. Camilla Kieliger.

AOC Staff: Ms. Melissa Ardaiz, Mr. Arturo Castro, Ms. Christine Cleary, Ms. Audrey Fancy, Ms. Bonnie Hough, Mr. Ken Kann, Ms. Diane Nunn, and Ms. Bobbie Welling.

Others present: Hon. Lawrence Kaye, Hon. Susan Marrinan.

Domestic Violence

Item 1 **Domestic Violence: Firearms Relinquishment in Criminal Cases** (adopt Cal. Rules of Court, rule 4.170)

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee deferred action until its meeting on March 24, 2010, and asked the Domestic Violence Practice and Procedure Task Force to consider the following comments and provide an update at the February 24, 2010 RUPRO meeting:

1. The possibility that the required personal appearance in (e)(3) conflicts with Penal Code section 977 and whether this should be changed to allow appearance through counsel.

2. Consideration of whether the standard of proof (good cause) for revocation of the release on the defendant's own recognizance or an increase in bail is improperly modified to preponderance of the evidence.

3. Although the rule appears to cover criminal protective orders issued at the time of probation, no judicial action other than increased bail or revocation of the release on the defendant's own recognizance is specified, so relief appears to be incomplete. Also, the Domestic Violence Practice and Procedure Task Force is asked to address a possible conflict with Penal Code section 1203.097 (probation).

4. Consideration of whether the rule should delineate a procedure to set a hearing when the defendant is in custody at the time the criminal protective order issues.

Minutes

Rules and Projects Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 24, 2010
11:00 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.
Catalina Room, 3rd Floor

RUPRO members present: Hon. Dennis Murray (Chair), Hon. Tani Cantil-Sakauye (Vice-Chair), Hon. George A. Abdallah, Jr., Ms. Miriam A. Krinsky, Ms. Kim Turner, Hon. David S. Wesley, and Hon. Erica R. Yew.

Members absent: Hon. Lon Hurwitz.

RUPRO staff present: Ms. Deborah Brown, Ms. Susan McMullan, and Ms. Camilla Kieliger.

AOC staff present: Ms. Heather Anderson, Mr. Arturo Castro, Ms. Christine Cleary, Mr. Bruce Greenlee, Ms. Bonnie Rose Hough, Mr. Douglas C. Miller, Ms. Diane Nunn, Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Ms. Anne Ronan, Ms. Robin Seeley, Mr. Courtney Tucker, Ms. Julia Weber, Mr. Alan Wiener, and Mr. Christopher Wu.

Others present: Hon. Mitchell A. Beckloff, Hon. Jerilyn L. Borack, Hon. H. Walter Croskey, Hon. Susan D. Huguenor, Hon. Laurence D. Kay, Hon. Sandra L. Margulies, Hon. Carlos R. Moreno, Hon. Kathleen E. O'Leary, Hon. Dennis M. Perluss, Hon. Steven Z. Perren, Hon. Deborah A. Ryan, and Hon. Kathryn Doi Todd.

Annual Agenda review

Item 1 **Advisory Committee on Criminal Jury Instructions**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda.

Item 2 **Advisory Committee on Civil Jury Instructions**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda.

Item 3 **Traffic Advisory Committee**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda.

Item 4 **Task Force on Self-Represented Litigants**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda with the following modifications:

Add a task to the annual agenda to study how the task force can become an advisory committee, listing membership categories and the timeframe for conversion, and report back to the Rules and Projects Committee with recommendations at the next Annual Agenda review.

Item 11 **California Blue Ribbon Commission on Children in Foster Care**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the status report.

Item 5 **Appellate Advisory Committee**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda with the following modifications:

On page 4, at "Sealed and confidential records": Change the completion date/status to January 2012.

Item 6 **Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda with the following modifications:

On page 3, at the second item (fee waivers): Change the completion date/status to January 1, 2012.

The Rules and Projects Committee further encouraged the advisory committee to consider reducing the number of priority 1 and 2 items on the annual agenda.

Item 7 **Criminal Law Advisory Committee**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda with the following modifications:

On page 2, at "Criminal Case Efficiencies and Cost-Savings Roundtables," add language to the effect of "such as effective use of technology and transportation" after "proceedings."

Item 8 **Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda.

Item 9 **Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda.

Item 12 **Protective Orders Working Group**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the status report.

The Rules and Projects Committee further asked the working group to report back to the committee at the next Annual Agenda review.

Item 10 **Elkins Family Law Task Force**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the status report.

Item 14 **Domestic Violence Practice and Procedure Task Force**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee approved the annual agenda.

Other Business

Item 13 **Domestic Violence: Firearms Relinquishment in Criminal Protective Order Cases**

Action: The Rules and Projects Committee received an update from the Domestic Violence Practice and Procedure Task Force andwill review the proposal at its March 24 meeting.

Approved by the committee on March 24, 2010.