

Supreme Court of Nevada
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

KATHERINE STOCKS
State Court Administrator



JOHN MCCORMICK
Assistant Court Administrator

Judicial Council of the State of Nevada

Date and Time of Meeting: Monday, August 10, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: Remote Access via Zoom (zoom.com or zoom app, see “Notices” for access information)

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Call of Roll
 - B. Determination of Quorum
 - C. Opening Remarks
- II. Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Summary*
 - A. May 4, 2026 (*Tab 1, pages 3-6*)
- III. Reports of Standing Committees (Reporting period: April 6– July 12)
 - A. Court Administration Committee (*Tab 2, pages 7-8*)
 - B. Court Improvement Program (*Tab 3, pages 9-11*)
 - C. Legislative Committee (*Tab 4, pages 12-15*)
 - D. Specialty Court Funding Committee (*Tab 5, pages 16-17*)
- IV. Summaries of Regional Judicial Council Meetings (Reporting period: April 6 – July 12)
 - A. Clark Regional Judicial Council (*Tab 6, pages 18-20*)
 - B. North Central Regional Judicial Council (*Tab 7, pages 21-23*)
 - C. Sierra Regional Judicial Council (*Tab 8, pages 24-26*)
 - D. South Central Regional Judicial Council (*Tab 9, pages 27-29*)
 - E. Washoe Regional Judicial Council (*Tab 10, pages 30-34*)
- V. Other Items/Discussion
- VI. Future Meetings
 - Monday, December 7, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.
- VII. Adjournment

Notices

- Action items are noted by * and typically include approval, denial, and/or postponement of specific items. Certain items may be referred to a subcommittee for additional review and action.
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May 4, 2026

2:00 p.m.

Summary prepared by: Almeda Harper

Members Present

Chief Justice Herndon – Chair
Associate Chief Justice Linda Bell – Vice-chair
Judge Stephen Bishop
Chief Judge Bonnie Bulla
Judge Tara Clark Newberry
Judge Steven Dobrescu
Judge Erica Flavin
Judge Rhonda Forsberg
Steven Grierson
Judge Susan Johnson
Judge Jennifer Klapper
Alicia Lerud
Judge Mason Simons
Judge Randall Soderquist
Katherine Stocks
Judge Camille Vecchiarelli
Chief Judge Jerry Wiese
Judge Tod Young

AOC Staff Present

Zac Casper
Stephanie Gouveia
Almeda Harper
Bailey Johnson
Emily Kuhlman
Kate McCloskey
John McCormick

Members Absent – Excused

Judge Jessica Goodey
Chief Judge Egan Walker

Members Absent - Unexcused

Judge Victor Miller

Guests Present

Justice Elissa Cadish
Charles Map
Emily Reed
Joe Tommasino

- I. Call to Order
 - Chief Justice Herndon, as Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.
 - Ms. Harper called roll; a quorum was present.
- II. Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Summary
 - The meeting summary of February 9, 2026, was approved as presented.
- III. Reports of Standing Committees
 - Court Administration Committee
 - The Committee achieved a quorum for the first time in several years.
 - Members received updates on AOC initiatives, including the C-Track rollout.
 - Ms. Stocks thanked the trial courts and Clark County for their collaboration during the AOC's transition from the Governor's Office of Information Technology, noting that the partnership was critical to maintaining essential services including e-warrants and other statewide system connections.

- Court Improvement Program (CIP)
 - Mr. Casper introduced himself as the newly appointed Court Improvement Program Officer and provided the following updates:
 - Federal Fiscal Year 2025 funds had been fully expended.
 - Planning for the Court Improvement Conference Summit was underway.
 - Work continued on proposed dependency rule revisions to the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure.
 - Collaboration with the Children’s Bureau on the Child and Family Services Review remained ongoing.
 - Justice Cadish welcomed Mr. Casper to his new role, expressed confidence in his leadership, and encouraged members to contact him with Court Improvement Program matters.
- Legislative Committee
 - Mr. McCormick Provided the following report:
 - The Interim finance committee approved funding to assist the Las Vegas Justice Court with data collection requirements associated with the corridor court initiative.
 - The committee continued developing legislative proposals addressing judicial resources, record sealing statutes, probation discharge procedures, 48-hour bail hearings, and attorney stipend issues.
 - Discussions continued regarding legislation to expedite the effectiveness of recommendations made by appointed judicial officers to reduce unnecessary detention delays for juveniles.
- Specialty Court Funding Committee
 - Ms. Gouveia provided the following report:
 - The committee approved the redistribution of surplus funding to assist specialty court programs with increasing treatment and drug testing costs.
 - Funding previously allocated to the Reno Municipal Court Community Court was redistributed to other programs within the Washoe region following the program’s closure.
 - Fiscal Year 2027 funding allocations were under development and expected to be finalized before July.
 - All eligible committee members whose terms had expired were re-elected to serve through December 31, 2028.
 - The Committee continued monitoring federal grant funding to evaluate potential impacts on specialty court programs.
 - A statewide peer review assessment was underway to identify best practices, strengths, and opportunities for improvement across Nevada specialty courts.
 - Development continued integrating the drug court case management system with CourtView and other criminal case management systems to automate referrals.

IV. Reports of Regional Council Meetings

- Clark Regional Judicial Council
 - Attendees were directed to the summary included in the materials.
- North Central Regional Judicial Council

- Judge Soderquist reminded attendees of the upcoming Brain Health Summit and encouraged attendance while registration remained open.
- Sierra Regional Judicial Council
 - Judge Young advised that the next Council meeting would be held later that week at a new location and anticipate strong attendance. He directed members to the summary for additional details.
- South Central Regional Judicial Council
 - Attendees were directed to the summary included in the materials.
- Washoe Regional Judicial Council
 - Judge Flavin reported that work on the Sequential Intercept Model continued and directed attendees to the included summary for additional details.
 - Ms. Lerud provided an update on Washoe County's in-house audiovisual courtroom recording system, advising that:
 - The system had been fully implemented in nearly all general jurisdiction courtrooms and had operated successfully for more than one year.
 - The Court was evaluating the system as a long-term replacement for JAVS due to increasing maintenance and upgrade costs.
 - The court plans to partner with a local vendor to provide long-term maintenance and support.
 - Audio recordings were transmitted electronically for transcript preparation using AI-assisted transcription followed by certified court reporter review, resulting in approximately 48-hour turnaround times.
 - Judge Young requested additional information regarding transcript costs and operational savings. Ms. Lerud offered to provide the requested data and invited court to contact her office for additional information or to observe the system.

V. Future Meetings

- Monday, August 10, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, December 7, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

VI. Adjournment

- There being no further discussion or public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

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COURT ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Members Present

Katherine Stocks, Chair
Andrea Anderson
Melissa Bender
Nohemi Cardiel
Chelsea Cathcart
Stormi Decker
Rebecca Edwards
Cindy Garcia
Steven Grierson
Sherri Hiles
Cynda Horning
Tiffany Josephs
Alicia Lerud
Angelica Martin
Suz Suz Morgan
Whitney Richardson
Shakara Robinson
Elidia Rosales
Heidi Shaw
Danielle Skiles
Zachary Smith

Members Excused

Alisa Goodman
Melissa Hall
Hans Jessup

Members Unexcused

Derek Boyle
Brenda Cole
James Conway
Maxine Cortes
Melinda Davis
Carmen Garcia
Favi Gouveia
Kyndra Graham
Jessica Irmer
Hon. Danielle Johnson
Sierra Nicole Keathley-McCassie
Kayleen Lamb
Savannah Lopez
Veronica Lopez
Charles Mapp
Kate Martin
Tamara Migan
Kristina Mortensen
Karen Powell
Linnea Prengel
Riana Reynolds
Erin Tellez
Courtney Thornal

Committee Meeting of June 24, 2026

Prepared by: Margarita Bautista, Committee Staff

- Since the last report, the JCSN Court Administration Committee met on June 24, 2026.
- A quorum was not present, but no official action was taken.
- Chair Stocks briefly thanked both Mr. Grierson and Ms. Lopez for their service and welcomed their replacements.
- The AOC staff gave updates on the GTO cutover, C-track and the Court View 3 implementation schedule.
- Information was provided as well as questions were answered pertaining to MAS 4.0.
- A Court Administrators' contact list was also circulated to all committee members for individual use.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday September 30, 2026, at 2:00pm.

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COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM SELECT COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Members:

Justice Elissa Cadish, Chair	Judge Cynthia Giuliani	Magistrate Kimberly Okezie
Kimberly Abbott	Jacki Hallerbach	Buffy Jo Okuma
Stephen Aвило	Wonswayla Mackey	Carly Souza
Kelly Brandon	John McCormick	Megan Tingle
Brigid Duffy	Natalie Miller	Vickie Wilson
Judge Dylan Frehner	Judge Michael Montero	Janice Wolf

Committee Meeting of July 10, 2026

August 10, 2026, JCSN Prepared by: Zacary Casper, Court Improvement Program Court Services Analyst

- The Nevada Court Improvement Program (CIP) has exhausted FFY25 CIP grant funds and has begun spending FFY26 grant funds.
- CIP received its program instruction and grant application for the next grant award period. The 2026 Annual Self-Assessment is due August 17, 2026. The strategic plan is no longer a federally required component of the grant application. Regardless, CIP intends to have the next iteration of its 5-year strategic plan completed by the Self-Assessment due date. The strategic plan will be presented to the CIP Select Committee for their feedback on October 3, 2026; the next scheduled CIP Select Committee meeting.
- The 2026 Community Improvement Council (CIC) Summit will be held September 9-11 at the Atlantis Resort in Reno. The Judicial Roundtable, an event held exclusively for dependency judges and judicial officers, will take place Wednesday, September 9. The General Summit, open to all CIC stakeholders, will take place September 10-11. Registration opened on June 18 and is set to close on August 5. This year’s theme is “Rising Strong: Honoring and Caring for the Work, the Families, Your Team, and Yourself.”
- CIP has continued its work on finalizing the Dependency Rules of Civil Procedure. The goal of the Rules is to align practice with federal law and regulations, and to address the unique needs of dependency cases. A final draft of the Rules has undergone extensive internal and external review. At the time of writing this report, a date has not been set for a formal ADKT hearing.
- CIP has worked closely with the Children’s Bureau and agency partners during Round 4 of the Child and Family Services Review (CFSR). However, Nevada has opted in to a new federal CFSR format called “A Home for Every Child (AH4EC),” which significantly differs from the traditional Program Improvement Plan next steps seen in previous years. CIP has remained a regular

collaborator in DCFS' planning meetings and is excited to support the State's AH4EC initiatives.

- CIP and the Nevada Department of Human Services' Office of Analytics continue to collaborate on the CFS775 Court Timeliness Report. CIP provides these reports to the individual CICs on a quarterly basis. A new data template for this report was finalized in January 2025, so CIP has continued to assess the data quality and collect jurisdictional feedback on its usefulness and accuracy.
- CIP is collaborating with DCFS and their contractor, Social Change Partners, to develop a judicial training opportunity regarding the Extended Young Adult Support Services Program (EYASSP: also known as "Extended Foster Care"). The training will be held virtually on Friday, August 21, from 12pm-1:15pm. CLE accreditation is pending approval. Although the training will be recorded, judicial partners are encouraged to attend the live session as real-time interaction will be a strong emphasis of the training content. The training will begin with an overview of the program, followed by a panel discussion led by Nevada experts who have regular involvement in EYASSP cases.
- CIP is looking to begin substantive work on developing a training on Nevada child welfare law, referred to as the "NRS 432B Academy." An internal review of existing curriculum is ongoing. The CIP Select Committee offered input on this topic and suggested national organizations and similar initiatives in other states that were successful. CIP will research these strategies with the goal of holding a listening session in September on where to focus efforts and subsequently create a workgroup to regularly engage on this project.
- CIP awarded two CICs subgrant funding in March 2026. CICs were given the opportunity to request \$5,000 to \$20,000 in funding depending on the breadth of their project. Subaward recipients will have until September 30, 2026, to fully expend their funds. Both subaward recipients identified a goal of using funding to support hiring legal counsel for timelier and more effective Termination of Parental Rights case processing. The next subaward application period is expected to open in Fall 2026.
- The Juvenile Dependency Mediation Program (JDMP) has successfully completed its initial efforts to recruit additional mediators to its panel. Over 150 applicants submitted their name for consideration. That number has been narrowed down to 30 candidates with introductory interviews scheduled throughout the first two weeks of August. 20 of those candidates will be invited to attend the "40-Hour Dependency Mediation Training" on September 14-17. Final determinations on who will be invited to formally join the program will be made following the 40-hour training.

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Legislative Committee
June 1, 2026
Noon
Summary Prepared by Martina Schambra

Members Present

Justice Linda Bell
Judge Kendra Bertschy
Judge Stephen Bishop
Chief Judge Bonnie Bulla
Maxine Cortes
Rebecca Edwards
Jessica Ferrato
Judge Jessica Goodey

Alisa Goodman
Judge Susan Johnson
Judge Jennifer Klapper
Alicia Lerud
Charles Mapp
Judge Victor Miller
John McCormick
Gabby McGregor

Andres Moses
Judge John Schlegelmilch
Judge Randall Soderquist
Joe Tommasino
Chief Judge Jerry Wiese
Judge Tod Young

AOC Staff

Martina Schambra

Guests

Sam Anastassatos
Hans Jessup

Wes Sullivan
Erin Tellez

- I. Call to Order
 - Mr. McCormick, on behalf of Chief Justice Herndon, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.
 - Ms. Schambra called roll; a quorum was present.
 - The April 28, 2026, meeting summary was approved as presented.
- II. 2025 Legislation Implementation Issues or Needed Corrections
 - No issues were noted during the meeting.
- III. Possible 2027 Bill Draft Requests
 - Additional District Court Judges
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick's drafted language to request an additional district court judge for the First and Tenth Judicial Districts is included in the meeting materials as Tab 2.
 - Record Sealing
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick is currently examining record sealing statutes to begin drafting language intended to clarify where the statutes seemingly conflict with themselves.
 - Discharges from Probation
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick met with the Governor's Office and Parole and Probation (P&P) in the past week. P&P indicated they have three bill draft requests (BDRs) they would like to introduce at the next legislative session:
 - Change honorable/dishonorable discharges to just a general discharge from probation.
 - a. P&P believes they dedicate an excessive amount of staff hours to discharge research, and they believe the varying levels of discharge no longer serve a purpose.

- b. Justice Bell believes there is value in the distinction between an honorable versus dishonorable discharge, as that information is helpful during sentencing for trial judges. Judge Schlegelmilch wanted to know how a change to discharges would affect rights restoration. Ms. Cortes and Judge Young stated that in the First and Ninth Judicial Districts, the distinction between honorable and dishonorable is used as an incentive to ensure fines, fees and restitution are paid.
 - Maximum terms of probation.
 - a. P&P has encountered situations in which defendants are ordered to consecutive periods of probation that run longer than the maximum probationary period prescribed in [NRS 176A.500](#).
 - Interstate compact language.
 - a. P&P will revise language regarding the transfer of supervision for probationers who exit and reenter the state.
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick will share the Committee's comments with P&P.
- 48-Hour Bail Hearings & Court Staff Reimbursement
 - ♦ Mr. Clark requested a BDR to clarify who should be receiving reimbursement and allocation amounts for each county. Mr. Clark stated that if a BDR cannot be spared from the Committee then he can find another avenue to bring it forward; no decision was made during the meeting.
 - ♦ Mr. Clark stated that the Governor's Office is willing to pursue restoring 48-hour bail hearings.
- 60-Day Right to Speedy Trial
 - ♦ There was no substantial discussion during the meeting, but the topic will continue to be monitored by the Committee.
- Administrative Assessment Fees
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick asked the Committee to be cognizant of any bills that come up that address administrative assessment fees, as changes to statute may compromise funding for limited jurisdiction and juvenile courts.
- Marshall Statute Language Cleanup
 - ♦ Per Mr. Moses, the effort is currently on hold as the Eighth Judicial District determines the best course to take on the issue.
- Juvenile Judicial Officer Recommendations
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick stated that a bill draft request is currently being drafted to address the issues Judge Grossman, Justice Lee and Judge Young presented at the last meeting of the Committee.
 - ♦ Chief Judge Bulla suggested Mr. McCormick look at the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure, as those rules will need to be modified to account for the potential change.
- Population Certification Timeline for Justice of the Peace Filings
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick's drafted language to change the population certification timeline from even to odd-numbered years is included in the meeting materials as Tab 2. Per the Committee, March 15th was kept as the deadline for justices of the peace to provide opinion on if the caseload of their township warrants an additional judge.
- Workplace TPO Security ([NRS 33.270](#))
 - ♦ Prior to the meeting, Judge Goodey requested an agenda item to discuss removing the employer security requirement for workplace temporary protection orders (TPOs) under NRS 33.270(2). Mr. McCormick asked the Committee for feedback on potential language changes for TPOs.
 - ♦ Ms. Lerud noted that workplace TPOs are the only ones that cannot exceed one year.
 - ♦ Judge Soderquist asked if there was any interest in standardizing the timelines for the various protection orders. Justice Bell and Judge Young agreed that consistency is needed.

- ♦ Judge Bishop suggested that TPOs involving child custody be shifted to the district court.
- ♦ Judge Miller noted that punishments for TPO violations should be consistent as well, giving the example of domestic violence violations being a misdemeanor, whereas a stalking and harassment violation is a gross misdemeanor.

IV. Watch List

- Evictions
 - ♦ There was no news to report; the Committee will continue to monitor the topic.
- Disclosure of Child Abuse/Neglect Reporters and Notice
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick will continue to engage with the Clark County District Attorney's Office to ensure they know it is not the responsibility of the courts to provide notice that is in line with the ruling of *Clark County Dept. of Family Services v. Eighth Judicial District Court* (2025).
- Governor's Office BDR on Missing Fingerprints
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick recently met with the Governor's Office and the Nevada State Police Records, Communications and Compliance Division (RCCD) to discuss a potential BDR that would require a party to notify the courts that a defendant's fingerprints were not processed in situations where they are charged by summons rather than taken into physical custody; the court would then order those fingerprints to be taken. Mr. McCormick emphasized that courts would not be the ones taking the fingerprints.
 - ♦ Judge Schlegelmilch noted that when a case does not have a Transaction Control Number (TCN), the court knows a book and release administrative order is needed to obtain those fingerprints.
 - ♦ Mr. Jessup informed the Committee that this BDR would address situations such as when an individual is arrested but is taken to and released from the hospital without a traditional booking. Mr. Jessup requested language in the BDR requiring the notification be provided in a way prescribed by the court.
 - ♦ Judge Bishop shared concerns of retroactive compliance. Mr. McCormick stated that the BDR would apply prospectively.
 - ♦ Mr. McCormick will communicate the Committee's feedback to the bill's drafters. He hopes the BDR will memorialize the authority of the courts to order book and releases.

V. Discussion

- Judge Soderquist inquired if Mr. McCormick had heard any mention from his conversations with RCCD of retainable offenses and criminal history records; Judge Soderquist noted the discrepancy on what is and is not a retainable offense, giving the example of littering versus vehicular manslaughter, respectively. Mr. McCormick had not heard word on this front but is happy to discuss the topic with relevant stakeholders on behalf of the Committee.
- Mr. Moses informed the Committee that Chief Judge Wiese will be presenting before the Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary on Tuesday, June 16th at 9 a.m.

VI. Future Meetings

- The next meeting of the Legislative Committee was not determined during the meeting; notice will go out to members once the date has been decided.

VII. Adjournment

- There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

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SPECIALTY COURT FUNDING AND POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Members:

Justice Lidia Stiglich, Chair	Judge Cynthia Cruz	Judge Deborah Schumacher
Justice Linda Bell, Co-Chair	Judge Steven Dobrescu	Judge Thomas Stockard
Judge Michael Montero, Vice Chair	Judge Lynne Jones	Judge Ryan Toone
Judge Tom Armstrong	Judge Jessica Longley	Judge Jerry Wiese
Judge Stephen Bishop	Judge Jim Loveless	Judge Bitia Yeager

Committee Meeting of July 17, 2026

Prepared by: Stephanie Gouveia, Specialty Courts Statewide Coordinator

- The committee received a financial report and cash flow summary from Ms. Casandra Vanzura regarding specialty courts.
- The fiscal year 2027 specialty court funds have been approved by the committee and the amounts were shared. Award funds went out in early July 2027.
- The specialty court team has created a new shard inbox to assist with court staff and provide faster response times. Reporting forms have also been updated and are available on the specialty court website.
- Lindsey Lee, specialty court manager at the 8th Judicial District, was appointed to be the Clark Region representative of the Specialty Court Funding & Policy Committee by Chief Justice Herndon. The position was previously held by Steve Grierson, also of the 8th Judicial District.
- Specialty court programs are undergoing a statewide Best Practices assessment, aimed at identifying the strengths, weaknesses, and potential training needs in the programs. NPC Research, the company administering the assessment, will present at the specialty court state conference in the fall on their findings.
- The Nevada State Specialty Court Conference will be held November 4th-6th, 2026. Information for registration and conference times were shared.
- The committee will host a luncheon during the RISE26 national conference for all Nevada state specialty court workers.
- The next Specialty Court Funding & Policy Committee meeting will be Thursday, November 5th, 2026, during the state conference. It will be held in-person.

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Clark Regional Judicial Council

June 16, 2026

Noon

Summary prepared by Almeda Harper

Voting Members Present

Judge Jessica Goodey, Vice Chair
Judge Alicia Albritton
Judge Gino Brisoce
Judge Tara Clark Newberry
Judge Melisa De La Garza
Judge Darryll Dodenbier
Judge Rhonda Forsberg
Judge Kalani Hoo
Judge Chris Jeter
Judge Ruth Kolhos
Judge Victor Miller
Judge Gregor Mills
Judge Barbara Schifalacqua
Judge Larry Shupe
Judge Ryan Toone

Members Present

Judge Sandy DiGiacomo
Judge Susan Johnson
Judge Dawn Throne

Guests Present

Derek Boyle
Eller C.
Stormi Decker
Cassie Diaz
Hans Jessup

AOC Staff Present

Almeda Harper

Voting Members Absent - Excused

Chief Judge Jerry Wiese, Chair
Judge Kelly Giordani
Judge Courtney Ketter

Voting Members Absent - Unexcused

Judge Chris Tilman

- I. Call to Order
 - Judge Goodey, as Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.
 - Ms. Harper called roll; a quorum was present.
- II. Approval of Meeting Summary
 - The March 10, 2026, meeting summary was approved as presented.
- III. Business, Action, and Discussion Items
 - AOC Updates
 - Personnel Updates
 - The attendees were informed of recent personnel changes at the AOC, including new hires, promotions, and leadership transitions.
 - The attendees provided updates regarding staffing changes within their respective courts, including:
 - ♦ Appointment of a new Court Administrator at the Eighth Judicial District Court, Timothy Andrews, as Steve Grierson retired in June.
 - ♦ Appointment of a new Assistant Court Administrator at the Las Vegas Municipal Court, Cassie Diaz.
 - ♦ Judge Tierra Jones was appointed Chief Judge of the Eighth Judicial District Court.

- ♦ The Eight Judicial District began hiring a replacement Public Information Officer following the retirement of Marianne Price.
- Nevada Threat and Violence Report Form
 - Attendees were advised that the Commission to Study Judicial Branch Security approved issuing threat reporting summaries twice each year.
 - Attendees were encouraged to continue submitting Threat and Violence Report Forms whenever threatening or concerning incidents occur to assist the Commission in identifying statewide trends and supporting future security initiatives.
- Continuous Learning Program (CLP) Updates
 - The attendees received the second quarter CLP newsletter and upcoming events information included in the meeting materials.
 - Attendees were encouraged to share training needs, suggestions, and course requests with the CLP to assist with future course development.
- AOC Grants – Fiscal Year 2027 Update
 - Attendees were advised that the AOC Grant Program would accept Trial Court Improvement applications from July 1 through 31, 2026.
 - The AOC Grant Program would continue to accept Data Warehouse applications until October 31, 2026.
 - The AOC Grants webpage was updated with current information and forms for the new fiscal year.
 - Tracy Worrell was introduced as the AOC Grants Officer and was identified as the primary point of contact for future grant administration.
- Future Events
 - Attendees received information regarding upcoming judicial education events, including:
 - ♦ Specialty Courts Conference (November 4-6, 2026, Las Vegas)
 - ♦ State Bar Family Law Conference (August 26-28, 2026, Tahoe)
 - ♦ Leadership Summit (June 14-18, 2027, Ely, NV)
- “What Do You Want to Know?”
 - No new requests were made.
- Other Discussion
 - The recent Limited Jurisdiction Judges Conference was well received and generated positive feedback. It was the first educational conference to be held at the new training facility in the Carson City Supreme Court. Attendees expressed appreciation for the conference, noting that they enjoyed the facility and courthouse tours and emphasizing the value of utilizing the facility for future conferences.
 - Members discussed an issue involving collection agency services affecting several local courts and were advised that efforts to resolve the matter were in progress. Members affected by the issue were encouraged to contact the Las Vegas Justice Court for additional information.

IV. Adjournment

- There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

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NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL JUDICIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Friday, May 29, 2026

10:00 AM

Winnemucca, NV

Summary prepared by: Almeda Harper

Members Present

Judge Randall Soderquist, Vice Chair
Judge Bryan Drake
Judge Bill Gandolfo
Judge Brandy Holbrook
Judge Karry Larramendy
Judge Darrell Mancebo
Judge Mike Mavity
Judge Spencer Roberts

AOC Staff Present

Almeda Harper

Guests Present

Melissa Hall

Members Absent - Excused

Judge Kenny Calton
Judge Kriston Hill
Judge Alvin Kacin
Judge Michael Montero
Judge Mason Simons, Chair

Members Absent - Unexcused

Judge Kenneth Quirk
Judge Bryce Shields

- I. Call to Order
 - Judge Soderquist, as Council Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.
- II. Determination of a Quorum
 - A quorum was present.
- III. Approval of Meeting Summaries
 - The November 21, 2025, and February 27, 2026, meeting summaries were approved as presented.
- IV. Business, Action, and Discussion Items
 - AOC Personnel Updates
 - Attendees were advised of recent AOC personnel changes, including:
 - Rachel Schneider was hired as Web Architect and Engagement Specialist, filling Regina Flores' former position on the Communications team.
 - Zac Casper was appointed Court Improvement Program Coordinator following Lupie Janos' departure.
 - Jamie Gradick resigned from the AOC.
 - AOC Grant Program
 - Attendees were advised that the fiscal year 2027 grant cycle would open July 1-31, 2026, and that the updated grant materials and application forms would be posted to the program website before the application period opened.
 - The Trial Court Improvement and Data Warehouse funding streams will continue with an application cap of \$25,000 and awards distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

- Nevada Threat and Violence Reporting Program
 - Attendees were advised that the Commission to Study Judicial Branch Security approved issuing biannual reports summarizing the data collected by the program.
 - Attendees discussed the benefits of providing the assigned identification number directly to the reporting court so it can be referenced when submitting follow-up information.
- Continuous Learning Program (CLP)
 - The second quarter newsletter was included with the materials and attendees were encouraged to share training information with their court staff.
 - An upcoming webinar, *Helping You Help the Public*, was scheduled for June 17, 2026.
 - Court staff were encouraged to submit requests regarding training topics at any time.
- Future Events
 - The Limited Jurisdiction Judges Summer Seminar will be held June 10-12, 2026, at the new training center in the Carson City Supreme Court Building.
- What Do You Want to Know
 - No additional topics were suggested.
- Community Service Reports
 - Judge Gandolfo hosted a courthouse tour for local fifth-grade students to introduce them to the judicial system.
 - Judge Holbrook reported the following:
 - Participated as a judge in Carlin Elementary School's *We the People* constitutional education program.
 - Reported continued progress on the Carlin communication meetings initiative and advised that she and Judge Johnson would present the project during the upcoming seminar.
 - Provided an update on her National Judicial Network scholarship project.
 - ♦ Developing a civil compliance docket for protection order cases.
 - ♦ Researching evidence-based batterer intervention programs.
 - ♦ Observing programs in other states.
 - ♦ Coordinating with Judge Wilson and mentor judges from other jurisdictions to support the project.
 - Judge Mancebo participated in various community events supporting domestic violence awareness and substance abuse prevention initiatives.
- Other Items and Discussion
 - Attendees discussed ongoing coordination with county administration and shared strategies for addressing administrative and funding matters while maintaining collaborative working relationships.
 - Judge Shields collaborated with local law enforcement and prosecutors to improve specialty court compliance procedures and explore monitoring equipment to improve accountability for DUI and specialty court participants.

V. Future Meetings

- Judicial Council of the State of Nevada – Monday, August 10, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.
- North Central Regional Judicial Council – Friday, August 21, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

VI. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

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Supreme Court of Nevada
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

KATHERINE STOCKS
State Court Administrator



JOHN MCCORMICK
Assistant Court Administrator

SIERRA REGIONAL JUDICIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Friday, May 8, 2026
12:00 PM

Summary prepared by: Almeda Harper

Members Present

Judge Tod Young, Chair
Judge Camille Vecchiarelli, Vice-chair
Judge Tom Armstrong
Judge Melanie Bruketta
Judge Thomas Gregory
Judge Brandi Jensen
Judge Michael Johnson
Judge Pete Spinuzi
Judge Benjamin Trotter
Judge Jason Woodbury

Guests Present

Max Cortes

AOC Staff Present

Almeda Harper

Members Absent - Excused

Judge Michael Lister
Judge Kristin Luis
Judge Lori Matheus
Judge John Schlegelmilch
Judge Thomas Stockard
Judge Laurie Trotter

Members Absent - Unexcused

Judge Leon Aberasturi

- I. Call to Order
 - Judge Young, as chair, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.
- II. Determination of a Quorum
 - A quorum was present.
- III. Approval of Previous Meeting Summary
 - The summary of the January 23, 2026, meeting was approved.
- IV. Business, Action, and Discussion Items
 - AOC Updates
 - Personnel Updates
 - Rachel Schneider was hired as the Web Architect and Engagement Specialist, filling Regina Flores' vacant position on the Communications team.
 - Zac Casper was promoted to Court Improvement Program Coordinator following Lupie Janos resignation from the AOC.

- Education Updates
 - Digital Accessibility
 - The Federal Government has mandated that local government websites and application comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). To support courts in meeting these requirements, the AOC developed a four-part Digital Accessibility course, available through DELP.
 - Continuous Learning Program (CLP)
 - The second-quarter newsletter was included in the meeting materials.
 - Upcoming courses include:
 - ♦ Available May 19: Understanding the Nevada Court System
 - ♦ Live Webinar on June 17: Helping You Help the Public
- The 3rd Annual Brain Health Summit will be held in Winnemucca, NV, on May 12 – 13, 2026. Registration remains open.
- Tribal Court Participation in Regional Meetings
 - Judge Young proposed inviting tribal court judges to participate in Sierra Regional Judicial Council meetings to strengthen relationships, recognizing that tribal cases are heard in many courts throughout the region. Members discussed the proposal, agreed it would be benefits, and supported extending invitations to local tribal court judges. Judge Young encouraged members to reach out to the tribal court judges in their respective jurisdictions.
- Community Service Reports/Updates
 - Judge Vecchiarelli hosted local third and fourth grade classes at her court for a variety of educational activities.
 - Judge Bruketta presided over a State Bar mock trial in Reno.
 - Judge Luis reported that the First Judicial District Court participated in a Law Day event on April 27 and conducted a reaffirmation of the attorney oath with several attorneys.
- Other Items/Discussion
 - Judge Young provided an update on the Commission to Study Judicial Branch Security, sharing that he is working on the development of a security training video. He also reminded members to continue reporting threats through the Threat Reporting Program.
 - Members discussed various strategies for addressing sovereign citizens in courts.
 - Members discussed future Council meeting formats and expressed a preference to continue alternating between in-person and remote. They also agreed to host the next in-person meeting at the historic courthouse in Storey County.

V. Future Meetings

- Judicial Council of the State of Nevada: Monday, February 9, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.
- Sierra Regional Judicial Council: Friday, May 8, 2026, at Noon in Carson City.

VI. Adjournment

- There being no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

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Supreme Court of Nevada
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

KATHERINE STOCKS
State Court Administrator



JOHN MCCORMICK
Assistant Court Administrator

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL JUDICIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, June 9, 2026

4:00 PM

Summary prepared by: Almeda Harper

Members Present

Judge Steven Dobrescu, Chair
Judge Stephen Bishop, Vice Chair
Judge Mike Cowley
Judge Dylan Frehner
Judge Nola Holton
Judge Danielle Johnson
Judge Jennifer Klapper
Judge Dorothy Rowley
Judge William “Gus” Sullivan
Judge Kirk Vitto

Members Absent - Excused

Judge Matt Hibbs
Judge Robert Lane
Judge Kimberly Wanker

Members Absent - Unexcused

AOC Staff Present

Almeda Harper

- I. Call to Order
 - Judge Bishop, as vice chair, called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.
- II. Determination of Quorum
 - A quorum was present.
- III. Approval of Previous Meeting Summary
 - The summary for the January 26, 2026, meeting was approved as presented.
- IV. Business, Action, and Discussion Items
 - AOC Updates
 - Personnel Updates
 - Attendees were informed of recent AOC personnel changes, including:
 - ♦ Caity Kinnick joined the AOC as Family Court Liaison.
 - ♦ Regina Flores was appointed Continuous Learning Program (CLP) Coordinator.
 - ♦ Rachel Schneider filled the Communications vacancy as Web Architect and Engagement Specialist.
 - AOC Grant Program

- Attendees were advised that the program will open again for the 2027 fiscal year.
 - Application cap for Trial Court Improvement grants will increase to \$25,000, with awards distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.
 - Data Warehouse grant funding will continue through October 31, 2026.
 - Tracy Worrel, the AOC's Procurement and Grant Officer, will assume responsibility for the program in the new fiscal year.
- Nevada Threat and Violence Report Program
 - Attendees were advised that the Commission to Study Judicial Branch Security approved the distribution of biannual reports summarizing the data collected by the program.
 - The reporting form was updated to include a submit button to simplify the submission process easier.
 - Attendees were encouraged to continue reporting all threatening, suspicious or concerning incidents to improve statewide data collection and identify trends.
 - It was noted that the reporting program is intended for data collection and trend analysis and is not an investigative process. Incidents requiring investigation should continue to be reported to local law enforcement.
- Continuous Learning Program (CLP) Updates
 - Attendees were encouraged to share the documents included in the materials with their court staff and to provide suggestions for future course topics to AOC staff.
- Upcoming Events
 - Nevada Judges of Limited Jurisdiction Seminar, June 10-12, 2026, Carson City.
 - State Bar Family Law Conference, August 26-28, Tahoe.
- What Do You Want to Know
 - Ms. Harper reported that she continues to gather data from courts regarding court reporters and the programs being used in their absence. A report will be distributed once all data has been gathered.
 - Attendees discussed the various NRS related to court reporters.
- Other Items and Discussion
 - Attendees discussed strategies regarding traffic hearings involving driver-assistive vehicle platooning technology.

V. Future Meetings

- Judicial Council of the State of Nevada – Monday August 10, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.
- South Central Regional Judicial Council – Monday, September 14, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

VI. The meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

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Supreme Court of Nevada
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

KATHERINE STOCKS
State Court Administrator



JOHN MCCORMICK
Assistant Court Administrator

Washoe Regional Judicial Council

April 29, 2026

Noon

Summary prepared by: Almeda Harper

Voting Members Present

Chief Judge Egan Walker – Chair
Judge Erica Flavin – Vice Chair
Chief judge Justin Champagne
Judge Shirle Eiting
Judge Cynthia Lu

Guests Present

Irma Aboytes-Tanner
Marika Baren
Ms. Alicia Lerud
Katy Metz
Jason Phillips
Heidi Shaw

Members Present

Judge Robert DeLong
Judge Lynne Jones
Judge Jennifer Richards
Judge Tamatha Schreinert
Judge Kathleen Sigurdson
Judge Ryan Sullivan

AOC Staff Present

Almeda Harper

Absent Excused

Judge Melissa Mangiaracina

Absent Unexcused

Judge Terry Graham
Judge Scott Peterson
Judge Kathleen Drakulich

- I. Call to Order
 - Chief Judge Walker called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.
- II. Call of Roll and Determination of Quorum Status
 - Ms. Harper called roll; a quorum was present.
- III. Approval of Previous Meeting Summary
 - The February 18, 2026, meeting summary was approved.
- IV. AOC Updates
 - AOC Staff Update
 - ♦ Rachel Schneider was hired as a Web Architect and Engagement Specialist in the Communications Department.
 - Continuous Learning Plan (CLP)
 - ♦ Included in the materials were the second-quarter CLP Newsletter and a flyer announcing upcoming events.
 - Digital Accessibility
 - ♦ The Federal government has mandated that public-facing, local government websites and applications must be ADA compliant. To assist with this effort, the AOC has created a four-part digital accessibility training available via [DELP](#).

- Third Annual Brain Health Summit
 - ♦ The summit will be held in Winnemucca on May 12-13, registration is still open.
- “What Do You Want to Know?”
 - ♦ Members discussed their strategies for recording court hearings when a certified court reporter is unavailable.
 - Chief Judge Walker reported that the District Court struggles to find court reporter coverage, but utilizes Veritext Legal Solutions instead.
 - Ms. Lerud reported that they utilized court staff to create an in-house reporting program to offset the growing costs of maintaining their equipment through JAVS. They hope to outsource long-term program maintenance to a paid company for longevity purposes. Transcripts are then outsourced.
- Informational Materials
 - ♦ The attached flyers were distributed to all courts as courtesy in the event they would be helpful. Please reach out if there is additional information you would like to see added to the posters for your court.

V. Discussion and Action Items

- Washoe County Sheriff’s Office Update – *Lt. Jason Phillips*
 - ♦ Alternative Sentencing Unit
 - Efforts are underway to address concerns raised by the courts regarding probation. Two intermittent case managers were expected to begin in late May to help bridge gaps in court liaison functions and probation monitoring.
 - The STAR Program will be reestablished through the County and will operate out of CrossRoads. The Sheriff’s Office will provide staffing for the program.
 - ♦ Detention Services Unit
 - Challenges were reported related to court order directing that individuals be transported from custody to treatment programs, such as Reno Behavioral health, and returned to custody if they did not meet the admission criteria. It was noted that the District Court’s order may serve as a model for this process.
- Key Findings of the *System Map: Behavioral Health and Housing with Supports* – *Ms. Katie Metz and Ms. Marika Baren*
 - ♦ The report will be shared with the members after the meeting.
 - ♦ The system map is a comprehensive resource identifying behavioral health and housing services available to justice-involved individuals in Washoe County. The map is intended to improve coordination, accessibility, and outcomes.
 - ♦ The presentation highlighted gaps in behavioral health and housing services despite significant provider capacity, including barriers related to staffing, bed availability, eligibility requirements, and limited permanent supportive housing. Justice-involved individuals often face additional barriers to accessing services.
 - ♦ Presenters emphasized the need for improved coordination and communication among the courts, behavioral health providers, and housing providers. Recommendations included establishing centralized communication protocols, integrating case information-sharing practices, and embedding housing representatives within specialized courts to improve referrals and support diversion and reentry efforts.
 - ♦ The system map included a directory of provider profiles outlining available services, eligibility criteria, referral processes, wait lists, and program capacity. The directory is intended to serve as a practical resource for courts, although presenters noted that the information is self-reported and will require ongoing updates.
 - ♦ Presenters encouraged members to share information about their courts’ diversion efforts and to participate in the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) to support future planning and collaboration.

- ♦ Chief Judge Walker intends to reinvigorate the CJAC due to its broad stakeholder membership and to support the development of a centralized system for appropriately sharing information regarding treatment needs and progress among courts serving the same individuals.
- Non-voting Participation by Tribal Courts
 - ♦ Chief Judge Walker proposed inviting representatives from the Washoe County Tribal Courts to attend the Regional Council meetings as non-voting guests. Members agreed that increased collaboration would be beneficial, and Chief Judge Walker stated that he would extend invitations to all tribal courts.
- Court Updates
 - ♦ Second Judicial District Court – *Chief Judge Walker*
 - Transitioning to a new CMS on May 2, 2026. E-filing will be unavailable during the transition, with full operational capacity anticipated by Monday morning. Time-sensitive cases will be processed manually. Members were asked to direct any immediate concerns to Alicia Lerud.
 - ♦ Reno Municipal Court – *Chief Judge Justin Champagne*
 - Judge Gene Drakulich will be retiring on June 11, 2026.
 - Veronica Lopez will be retiring in June 2026, Irma Aboytes-Tanner will assume the duties of Court Administrator.
 - Two-day treatment workshop with Dr. Michael McGee is scheduled for May to enhance engagement with specialty court participants.
 - The court is working to procure a suite for a future Reno Aces game to promote team building. Additional information will be provided as it becomes available.
 - ♦ Sparks Justice Court – *Judge Erica Flavin*
 - Court operations are running smoothly.
 - Inquired whether other courts continue to experience issues working with Averhealth.
 - Members discussed ongoing challenges with Averhealth, including delays in reporting and communication, as well as concerns regarding the testing process. Some courts reported that communication improved over time.
 - The District Court offered Angie Wencke - Pretrial Services Manager, and Brooke Howard - Specialty Courts Manager, as resources for court experiencing issues.
 - The District Court also discussed developing judicial training with Averhealth.
 - ♦ Sparks Municipal Court – *Judge Shirle T. Eiting*
 - Nothing new to report.
- Open Mic Time
 - ♦ Chief Judge Walker shared a successful competency court outcome involving a misdemeanor case and expressed optimism that the court will continue expanding opportunities to serve appropriate misdemeanor cases through the competency court program. He also recognized Judge Mangiaracina and her staff for their collaboration in achieving the successful outcome.
 - ♦ Ms. Metz shared information regarding a state funding opportunity through the Byrne State Crisis Program to support crisis intervention initiatives and court-based programs.
 - ♦ Ms. Lerud announced a free educational training, hosted by NCJFCJ on identifying red flags and housing-first approaches for addressing youth homelessness in the justice system. The training will be held on May 6, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the McKinley Arts and Culture Center

- VI. Future Meetings
- Judicial Council of the State of Nevada – Monday, August 10, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.
 - Washoe Regional Judicial Council – Wednesday, July 6, 2026, at Noon.
- VII. Adjournment
- There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 12:49 p.m.