



Minutes

Supreme Court's Legal Services Innovation Committee

Administrative Office of the Courts
450 South State Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Held via Zoom
Tuesday, February 6, 2024
1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

PRESENT

John Lund – Chair	Rebecca Sandefur
Nathanael Player – Vice Chair	Nick Stiles
Nick Hafen – Secretary	Andrea Donahue – Staff
Keenan Carroll	Tanya Rosado – Staff
Thomas Michael Clarke	Rafael Cestari Souza – Guest
Christopher Martinez	Hayley Cousins – Guest
Alyson McAllister	Vanessa Rozalen – Guest
John Rees	Ben Ruesch – Guest
Lucy Ricca	

EXCUSED

Lindsey Brandt
[Elizabeth Wright – Ex Officio]

1. Discussion: John Lund
Welcome and Public Comment

John Lund opened the public comment period.

Vanessa Rozalen, principal at The New Immigrant, an entity that has applied for reconsideration of its application, introduced herself and her firm.

2. Vote: John Lund
Approval of January 2024 Minutes

Mr. Lund referred the Committee to the minutes of the January meeting and invited a motion for approval of the same.

Alyson McAllister moved to approve the minutes, and Keenan Carroll seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**3. Update: Andrea Donahue
Sandbox Fee Policy and Controlling and Financing
Persons Definitions**

Andrea Donahue informed the Committee that the Supreme Court approved the Committee's proposed revisions to the definitions of controlling and financing persons.

**4. Discussion: Andrea Donahue
Conflict of Interest Policy**

Ms. Donahue read the Committee's conflict of interest policy and referred the Committee to where the policy could be found. Ms. Donahue invited committee members to notify the Committee of any necessary recusals.

**5. Update: Andrea Donahue
Policy on Credit Checks**

Ms. Donahue provided an update on the Supreme Court's consideration of the Committee's recommendation to make applicant credit checks discretionary rather than mandatory.

**6. Discussion and Vote: Tanya Rosado
Request for Amendment of Authorization**

Tanya Rosado provided an overview of Timpanogos Legal Center's request to amend its authorization to allow certified advocates to sit at counsel's table but not to address the court. Committee members asked questions of Hayley Cousin, who was in attendance representing Timpanogos Legal Center.

Mr. Player moved to recommend the authorization be approved as presented, and John Rees seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Following this discussion Mr. Player moved for the Committee to move to a closed session, and the Committee closed the meeting.

7. Regulatory Review Following Closed Session:

Mr. Rees moved to defer the Request for Reconsideration, including consideration of applicable vetting requirements, from Johnson Hogan to the applications working group for its recommendations, and Mr. Player seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Nathanael Player moved to deny the Request for Reconsideration from The New Immigrant, and Thomas Clarke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Committee deferred action on WaltonParke's Request for Amendment of Authorization.

**8. Update: Andrea Donahue
Quality Assurance Subcommittee**

Ms. Donahue explained the formation of a Quality Assurance subcommittee pursuant to the Supreme Court's recommendation regarding the creation of subcommittees. The subcommittee will work on audits and pre-launch assessments.

**9. Report: Andrea Donahue
Data Report and Operations Report**

These reports were deferred to the next meeting. Ms. Donahue reported that Mr. Clarke has initiated the work of the data subcommittee.