

Administrative Council

December 11, 2015

Present:

Chief Justice Gerald W. VandeWalle, Chair
Judge Laurie Fontaine
Judge Donovan Foughty
Judge John Greenwood
Judge Gail Hagerty
Judge William Herauf
Judge John Irby
Judge Jon Jensen
Justice Carol Ronning Kapsner
Judge Gary Lee
Judge Doug Mattson
Judge David Nelson
Tracy Peters
Judge Frank Racek
Judge Bruce Romanick

Staff:

Sally Holewa

By consensus, the members of the Administrative Council agreed to address the agenda items for the December 11, 2015 meeting via e-mail rather than an in-person meeting. The agenda and proposed changes to Policy 511 and the Firearms Restriction Order were circulated to all members on November 20, 2015. The Council agreed that the proposed changes to policies and the firearms restriction order would be deemed as approved, with an effective date of December 14, 2015, unless a member raised an objection or requested to holdover the agenda item. No member objected to conducting the meeting via e-mail. No member requested that any of the agenda items be held over for a future meeting.

Policy 504 – Professional Development Trial Court Administrative Personnel

Amendments to Policy 504 were approved at the September 11, 2015 meeting and sent out for comment. No comments were received. None of the members of the Administrative Council objected to or raised any concern with any of the proposed changes to Policy 504 and the amended policy is adopted, effective December 14, 2015.

Policy 511 – Court Recording Procedures

Amendments to Policy 511 were approved at the September 11, 2015 meeting and sent out for comment. Comments were received from one employee. These comments, along with a response to the comments by Assistant State Court Administrator, Scott Johnson, and Chair of the Digital Recorders Workgroup, Kelly Hutton, were sent to the members of the Administrative Council on November 20, 2015. None of the members of the Administrative Council objected to or raised any concern with any of the proposed changes to Policy 511 recommended by Mr. Johnson and Ms. Hutton, and the amended policy is adopted, effective December 14, 2015.

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Firearms Restriction Order

Proposed changes to the Firearms Restriction Order were submitted by attorney, Greg Runge. The proposed changes, along with a response to the proposal by staff attorney, Jim Ganje, were sent to the members of the Administrative Council on November 20, 2015. None of the members of the Administrative Council objected to or raised any concern with Mr. Ganje's recommended changes to the Order, and the amended Order is adopted, effective December 14, 2015.

Meeting adjourned.