

Judicial-Media Committee

Minutes of meeting on Sept. 23, 2019

Members present: Co-chair Karen Florin, Judge Joan Alexander, Judge Patrick Clifford, Tais Ericson, Melissa Farley, John Ferraro, Attorney William Fish Jr., Judge David Gold, Paul Hartan, Judge Susan Handy, Judge Barbara Bailey Jongbloed, Judge Ingrid Moll, Eric Parker, Chris Powell, Gary Roberge, Judge Hope Seeley, Lauren Sellew, Andy Thibault and Judge Omar Williams. Also in attendance were Deputy Chief Court Administrator Elizabeth Bozzuto and Branch liaison Rhonda Stearley Hebert.

- I. Ms. Florin opened the meeting at 3 p.m.
- II. The committee unanimously approved minutes from its meeting on April 22, 2019.
- III. Judge Alexander updated the committee on its proposed rules changes regarding: 1) making hospital arraignments more accessible to the media; and 2) under certain conditions, allowing in cameras to sexual assault cases where a murder has occurred.
- IV. Ms. Florin updated the committee on plans for the 2020 Law School for Journalists.
- V. Judge Alexander updated the committee on 2019 General Assembly Criminal Law Highlights, including Public Act 19-187, *Confidentiality in the Case of a Discretionary Transfer of a Juvenile's Case to the Regular Criminal Docket and Implementing the Recommendations of the Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee*.
- VI. The committee adjourned and scheduled its next meeting for April 2020.