

**Judicial-Media Committee**  
Minutes of meeting on February 7, 2011

Members present: Judge Douglas Lavine and Claude Albert, co-chairs; Tom Appleby, Melissa Bailey, Judge Patrick Clifford, Joseph D'Alesio, Melissa Farley, Karen Florin, Paul Giguere, Judge David Gold, Attorney Charles Howard, Judge Barbara Bailey Jongbloed, Morgan McGinley, Chris Powell, Judge Barry Stevens, Dave Ward and Adriana Venegas.

Also present: Incoming committee members Linda Cimino, Andrew Julien and Judge Dawne Westbrook; Chief Court Administrator Barbara Quinn, Heather Collins and Rhonda Stearley-Hebert.

- I. Open meeting: Judge Lavine opened the meeting at 3 p.m. and welcomed everyone.
- II. Approval of minutes: The committee unanimously approved the minutes of its meeting on October 18, 2010.

III. Committee Reports:

*Pilot Program Committee* – Mr. Appleby reported to the committee on developments regarding recommendations to expand the Pilot Program statewide. He said some of the judges on the Rules Committee expressed concern over photos/video of defendants in shackles and also over the short notice that attorneys in a case might receive when the media make a camera request. Mr. Appleby added that the Rules Committee would address these issues at its next meeting.

Judge Clifford said he addressed the issue of notice when he sent out a memo to all judges, urging them to make sure that all parties receive notice of a media request. He added that this is an easy problem to address.

*Events Subcommittee* – Ms. Florin updated the committee regarding arrangements for the upcoming *Journalism School for Judges*.

*Court Reporters/Monitors* – Ms. Heather Collins, staff liaison to the Committee on Court Recording Monitors and Court Reporters, summarized the committee's final report and recommendations.

- IV. Membership update: Judge Lavine said he would be stepping down as co-chair of the committee and cited some of the committee's accomplishments over the past four years. He added that he will remain a member of the committee.

Judge Lavine welcomed Judge Gold as the new co-chair and said he would do an excellent job. Judge Lavine also introduced new members to the committee, whose terms will begin March 1<sup>st</sup>: Linda Cimino, Andrew Julien and Judge Dawne Westbrook.

Finally, Judge Lavine thanked those members at the meeting whose terms have expired and will not be on the committee effective March 1. They included Judge Barry Stevens and Adriana Venegas.

- V. *New Business* – Judge Lavine and Mr. Albert urged committee members to submit any ideas they might have regarding topics to be discussed at future meetings.
- VI. The meeting adjourned at approximately 4 p.m.