

Rules Committee of the Superior Court
Monday, March 15, 2021, 2:00 p.m.

(Via Microsoft Teams and streamed on YouTube.)

Meeting Agenda

RC ID #

2021-MIN Approval of the minutes from the February 8, 2021 meeting of the Rules Committee of the Superior Court. **APPROVED**

2019-004 Proposal from Natasha M. Pierre, State Victim Advocate, to amend several rules and sections to advise crime victims of rights and provide for notice to victims and opportunity for victims to provide statements. **TABLED**

Previously on the agenda on November 16, 2020.

- a. Proposal
- b. Clarification from OVA
- c. Comments from the Office of the Chief Public Defender
- d. Comments from the Office of the Chief State's Attorney
- e. Comments from the Chief Disciplinary Counsel
- f. Comments from the CCDLA
- g. Comments from CBA Criminal Justice Section
- h. Comments from Statewide Grievance
- i. Request from Judge Conway
- j. Comments from CBA Standing Committee on Professional Ethics
- k. Revised Proposal
- l. Comments from J Conway
- m. Partial withdrawal from OVA
- n. Letter from Counsel to OVA and redrafted proposal
- o. OVA response to Comments

2019-014 Proposal from Senator Looney, Senator Winfield, and Representative Stafstrom concerning pre-trial discovery procedure in criminal matters and subsequent revised proposals from the subcommittee. **APPROVED FOR PUBLIC HEARING WITH TECH CORRECTIONS**

Previously on the agenda on February 8, 2021.

- a. Original proposal
- b. Documents provided by Senator Looney's office
 - b-1. Texas Statutes
 - b-2. Open File Discovery Primer
 - b-3. North Carolina statutes
 - b-4. Towards More Transparent Justice: The Michael Morton Act's First Year
 - b-5. 2019 Senate Bill 653
- c. Comments from the Office of the Chief Public Defender
- d. Comments from the Office of the Chief State's Attorney
- e. Comments from the CCDLA
- f. Comments from OVS
- g. Comments from CBA Criminal Justice Section
- h. Recommendations of subcommittee
- i. Revised draft from the subcommittee
- j. Letter and suggested edits from J Gold (new material)

2020-014 Proposal from Faiz Siddiqui to amend Section 36-6 regarding cancellation of warrants.

First time being considered. **CONTINUE DRAFTING THROUGH SUMMER**

- a. Email from Siddiqui (new material)

2021-004 Proposal from the Connecticut Bar Association to revise Rule 1.8 of the Rules of Professional Conduct to allow for an exception to the prohibition on attorneys providing financial assistance to clients in litigation matters in limited circumstances, on humanitarian grounds, in accordance with the American Bar Association's Model Rules of Professional Conduct. **APPROVED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

Previously on the agenda on February 8, 2021.

- a. Proposal from Connecticut Bar Association
- b. Comments from legal aid organizations (new material)
- c. Clarification of proposal (new material)

2021-005 Proposal from Attorney Lori Petruzzelli, Assistant Counsel to the Rules Committee, to amend the title of Section 17-45 to be consistent with amendments to that section made previously. **APPROVED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

First time being considered.

- a. Proposal (new material)

2021-006 Proposal from Attorney Lori Petruzzelli, Assistant Counsel to the Rules Committee, to amend references to the MPRE in Section 2-13A (7) to be consistent with amendments to Sections 2-8 and 2-13 made previously. **APPROVED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

First time being considered.

- a. Proposal (new material)

2021-007 Proposal from Statewide Bar Counsel Michael Bowler, on behalf of the Statewide Grievance Committee, to amend Section 2-35 (g) in support of efforts to conduct hearings remotely. **APPROVED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

First time being considered.

a. Proposal (new material)

2021-LSS Recommendations for reappointment of members of the Legal Specialization Screening Committee and designation of Chair and Vice Chair.

APPROVED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

First time being considered.

a. Email regarding LSSC reappointments (new material)

2021-MISC Such other matters as may come before the Rules Committee.