

# In the Supreme Court of the State of Idaho

IN RE: MEMBERSHIP OF THE )  
EDUCATION COMMITTEE )  
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## ORDER

WHEREAS the Idaho Supreme Court is committed to assuring the highest level of service by recruiting highly qualified judges and court personnel and advancing their professional development through educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS the Education Committee is charged with providing leadership and guidance for the professional development of all judges and court personnel, as follows:

- Plan and recommend a comprehensive education program for judges from the time of appointment through senior judge service, education for court personnel, and multidisciplinary institutes;
- Develop education policy and other program recommendations;
- Act as an advisory committee on matters relating to judicial education and the education of court personnel;
- Develop agendas and curriculum for education programs;
- Recommend and develop individuals to serve as faculty for education programs;
- Develop distance learning training and recommend materials, manuals, bench books, and other education resources;
- Develop and recommend education technology resources;
- Develop and recommend education resources for training on court processes;
- Utilize effective adult learning techniques for education programs;
- Develop and recommend alternative funding sources for education programs; and
- Provide oversight of judicial performance evaluations.

The Education Committee shall meet regularly and shall report periodically to the Administrative Conference and to the Court on actions taken, as well as recommendations for improvements to judicial and non-judicial education.

The Court having been advised that a request has been made for adjustments to the Education Committee roster, the following adjustments shall be made:

The following committee members shall be released from the duties associated with the Committee:

Retired Judge Calvin Campbell, 5<sup>th</sup> Judicial District  
Senior Judge Juneal Kerrick, Former Judicial Advisor

The following individuals shall be appointed to the Committee:

Judge Robert Naftz, 6<sup>th</sup> Judicial District  
Judge John Lothspeich, 5<sup>th</sup> Judicial District

The following committee members shall remain on said committee:

Justice Cynthia Meyer, Chair  
Judge David Gratton, Court of Appeals, Vice Chair  
Senior Judge Richard Christensen, Judicial Advisor  
Senior Judge Christopher Bieter, Judicial Advisor  
Judge Victoria Olds, 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District  
Judge Davis VanderVelde, 3<sup>rd</sup> Judicial District  
Judge Darren Simpson, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District  
Senior Judge Daniel Steckel, 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District  
Doug Miller, Elected Clerk, Canyon County  
Tammie Whyte, Trial Court Administrator, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District  
Teresa Baker, Program and Legal Education, Idaho State Bar  
Don Burnett, Professor of Law, University of Idaho

After the above adjustments are made to the roster, the Education Committee shall be comprised of the following members:

**Committee Membership**

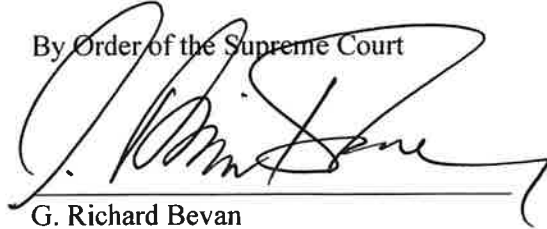
Chair: Justice Cynthia Meyer, Idaho Supreme Court  
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A team of Idaho court administrative experts will provide ongoing support and guidance to the Education Committee, including:

Jared Hoskins, Director of Court Management  
Andrea Powers, Human Resources Director  
Ileen Gerstenberger, Education and Training Manager  
Sierra Crow, Education Coordinator  
Nick Schultz, Education Specialist

DATED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025.

By Order of the Supreme Court



G. Richard Bevan  
Chief Justice, Idaho Supreme Court

ATTEST:



Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk

I, Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk of the Supreme Court/  
Court of Appeals of the State of Idaho, do hereby  
Certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the  
Order entered in the above entitled  
cause and now on record in my office. WITNESS my  
hand and the Seal of this Court 3-24-25  
Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk

By  Deputy