

In the Supreme Court of the State of Idaho

**IN RE: MEMBERSHIP OF THE
COURT ASSISTANCE OFFICER
COMMITTEE**

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ORDER

WHEREAS the Idaho Supreme Court is committed to its mission of ensuring access to justice within the courts of this State; and,

WHEREAS the Court Assistance Office programs throughout the State continue to provide a critical route for self-represented people to secure that access to justice; and,

WHEREAS the Court Assistance Office Committee is charged as follows:

- Research and study the barriers faced and the needs of those persons of low income or modest means and those choosing to proceed unrepresented by attorneys when accessing the court system.
- Recommend the development of resources and services in those areas of highest need for persons of low income or modest means and those who choose to proceed unrepresented;
- Recommend policies, guidelines, and best practices that further equal and meaningful access to the court for all services provided by the Court Assistance Office for self-represented litigants;
- Evaluate options and make recommendations for the use of technology that increases the accessibility of information and resources to self-represented litigants; improves the efficiency of delivery of services, and maximizes available resources;
- Develop and promulgate simplified court forms for use by self-represented litigants, and incorporate the principles of plain language into forms, interactive form interviews, instructions, and written communication provided by the Court Assistance Office;
- Partner with key stakeholders including the bench, the bar, government, nonprofit organizations and others in the development of resources and services;
- Coordinate with other Supreme Court Committees that have an impact on issues that affect self-represented litigants;
- Examine and consider long term funding strategies to permit development and implementation of Court Assistance Office services.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Court Assistance Office 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.

Further, the following adjustments shall be made to the Court Assistance Office Committee roster:

The following committee members shall remain on said committee:

Judge Roger Cockerille, Chair
Judge Todd Garbett
Jerry Woolley, 5th District Court Assistance Officer
Sharee Sprague, Power County Elected Clerk
Scott Keim, Department of Health and Welfare
Kerry Hong, 6th District Trial Court Administrator
Jim Cook, Idaho Legal Aid Services
Jennifer White, 7th District Family Court Services District Manager
Jennifer Brumley, 1st District ISB FL Section Attorney

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

Judge Gregory K. Kalbfleisch

The following committee members shall be appointed to said committee:

Judge Ross D. Pittman
Court Assistance Officer Tony Salazar

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that after the above adjustments are made to the roster, the Court Assistance Officer Committee shall be comprised of the following members:

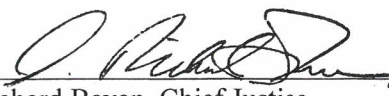
Committee Membership

Chair: Judge Roger Cockerille
Judge Todd Garbett
Judge Ross D. Pittman
Jerry Woolley, Court Assistance Officer
Tony Salazar, Court Assistance Officer
Sharee Sprague, Elected Clerk, Power County
Kerry Hong, Trial Court Administrator
Jim Cook, Idaho Legal Aid Services
Jennifer White, 7th District Family Court Services District Manager
Jennifer Brumley, 1st District ISB FL Section Attorney
Scott Keim, Department of Health and Welfare
Deena Layne, Deputy Legal Counsel, AOC
William Mitchell, Statewide Access to Justice Manager

Dated this 12 day of April, 2021.

By Order of the Supreme Court

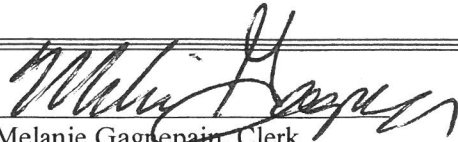
I, Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk of the Supreme Court/
Court of Appeals of the State of Idaho, do hereby
Certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the
Order entered in the above entitled
cause and now on record in my office. WITNESS my
hand and the Seal of this Court 4-12-21
Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk


G. Richard Bevan, Chief Justice

By  Deputy

By _____ Chief Deputy

ATTEST:


Melanie Gagnepain, Clerk