



Idaho State Judiciary E-News

As the Third Branch of Government, we provide access to justice through the timely, fair, and impartial resolution of cases.



Oath of Office Planned for Supreme Court Justices

The Idaho Supreme Court cordially invites you to attend the Oath of Office for Justice Warren E. Jones and Justice Joel D. Horton as Justices on the Idaho Supreme Court in the Courtroom, Supreme Court Building, Boise, Idaho. Reception immediately following.

*Date: June 12, 2014 ~ Time: 4:00 pm MDT
RSVP to kgrove@idcourts.net or 208-334-2210*

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Minutes of the May 21 Administrative Conference Teleconference Available

The minutes of the May 21 Administrative Conference teleconference are available: [Click here](#)

Judges, Your Input is Needed!

The National Center for State Courts' (NCSC) Center for Jury Studies is partnering with the ABA Commission on the American Jury to update the Judge and Attorney portion of the NCSC State-of-the-States Survey of Jury Improvement Efforts. The last study, conducted in 2007, included substantial input from judges and lawyers and delivered a snapshot of national voir dire practices, in-court jury innovations, and jury deliberations. The study also provided insights about the degree of variation based on case type, between and within states, and between state and federal courts.

To ensure that the updated study has equally broad participation, the NCSC requests that trial judges who preside over jury trials and attorneys who try cases before juries complete the survey. The survey should take about 10 minutes. All individual survey answers will be confidential, information will only be reported in the aggregate. The survey will be available online through June 30, 2014. The results will be reported to the ABA symposium later this year. [Click HERE](#) to participate.

Time to Submit "Defects in the Law"

A reminder to all judges: Article V, section 25 of the Idaho Constitution provides that judges shall, on or before July 1, report to the Supreme Court "such defects and omissions in the laws as their knowledge and experience may suggest." We know that many of you have pointed out defects from time to time during the course of the year. But if you have any defects you've come across that you have not yet reported, please send them to Michael Henderson, Legal Counsel, at mhenderson@idcourts.net or give him a call at 947-7404. Your insights are invaluable, and if you get us your suggestions this month, we will be able to get them on our Legislative Inventory in time for their review and consideration at both the July and October Administrative Conferences.

Links of Interest

- [News Articles for this week](#)
- [NCSC "In the News" this week](#)
- [NSCC's Federal Funding Report](#)
- [Gavel to Gavel this week](#)
- [NCJFCJ Newsletter](#)

Summary of ISC|COA Published Opinions

[May 22-29, 2014](#)

Training & Education Corner

[Click here](#) for the Judicial Education website, including all upcoming & archived trainings for Judges, Clerks, and Court Reporters! [Click here](#) for Judicial Conferences or webinars.

HR / Finance Links of Interest

[HR Recruitment Report](#) 06-06-14

Health Matters: [Wellness News](#)

Other HR resources:

[Employee Self-Service \(ESS\)](#)

[Tips for using ESS](#) as of 05-30-14

[Employee Handbook](#)

[Salary Affidavits & Travel Vouchers](#)

[We're Here to Serve You!](#)

Court Committees: Agendas and Minutes

[Minutes: May 6 Juvenile Justice Advisory Team](#)

[Minutes: May 12 Media/Courts Committee](#)

[Minutes: April 17-18 Administrative Conference](#)

[Minutes: Felony Sentencing Committee 4-24-14](#)

[Minutes: Guardianship/Conservatorship 4-11-14](#)

Judicial & Administrative Calendar

[Calendar](#) as of May 30, 2014 **<— NEW**

NOTE: Due to security concerns, locations are not posted on the [Website calendar](#).

Your Corner . . .

Note: "Your Corner" pages are intended as an archive of articles of interest to a particular group. Once a story has been included in the E-News, it will then be "parked" in a group's page, as appropriate.

[Judges](#) (last updated 08-30-13)

[Elected/Deputy Clerks](#) (updated 03-14-14)

[Court Reporters](#) (updated 12-20-13)

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Law Advisory Council and Faculty Members Tour Idaho Law Justice and Learning Center

On Friday May 9, members of the College of Law Advisory Council and law faculty toured the Idaho Law Justice and Learning Center in Boise. [read more >>](#)

New Educational Stability Tools Available for Child Protection Judges

To assist State and local efforts in addressing the educational needs of children in foster care, the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department Health and Human Services have developed **new** resources designed to improve the educational outcomes and well-being for students in foster care. [Click here](#) for the dedicated web page, "Students in Foster Care." In addition, HHS offers supporting resources on the National Resource Center for Permanency and Family Connections Web site: [click here](#).

Human Resources News

Legislative Changes Affecting Judges

During the FY2014 legislative session, several changes were approved that affect judges, as explained in this [memorandum](#).

Survey to Inventory All Judges Regarding Prior PERSI Service

At the April 2014 Administrative Conference, discussion was held regarding JRF members with prior PERSI service and the ongoing issue of their eligibility to retire under PERSI. The Administrative Conference recommended that all appellate, district, and magistrate judges be surveyed to accurately identify the impacted judges before undertaking any additional steps. Please complete the brief [SURVEY](#) by June 20, 2014.

Applications Due for Purchase of PERSI Membership Service

Applications are due by July 1, 2014 for those magistrate judges contemplating retirement between January 1 and July 31, 2015. The application is available on page 7 of the [Purchase of PERSI Manual](#) or you may contact Andrea Patterson at apatterson@idcourts.net or Peggy Dougherty at pdougherty@idcourts.net.

Dependent Eligibility Audit

The Office of Group Insurance has partnered with HMS Employer Solutions to conduct a Dependent Eligibility Verification for all active participants in the health care plans offered by the State of Idaho (but not including retirees). If you participate in the State of Idaho's health care plans and have dependents enrolled, you will receive a letter the week of June 9 addressed to your home from HMS Employer Solutions asking for verification of the dependent. For more information about this verification process, please read the [MEMO](#) from the Office of Group Insurance.

HR News continued . . .

Problem-Solving Court Graduations & News

Kootenai County Felony Drug Court
June 9 @ 3:00 p.m.
Kootenai County Courthouse, Rm. 12
Coeur d'Alene

Kootenai County DUI Court
June 10 @ 6:00 p.m.
Kootenai County Courthouse, Rm. 8
Coeur d'Alene

Ada County Veterans Treatment Court
June 11 @ 5:30 p.m.
Ada County Courthouse
Commissioners' Hearing Rm., 1st Fl.
Boise

Blaine County Felony Drug Court
June 12 @ 6:00 p.m.
Blaine County Courthouse
Hailey

Bonner County Felony
June 16 @ 5:00 p.m.
Bonner County Courthouse
Courtroom One
Sandpoint

Canyon County Veterans Treatment Court
June 17 @ 3:00 P.m.
Public Meeting Room 1st floor
Canyon County Courthouse
Caldwell

To have graduations included in the
Court E-News, email Craig at
cbarnes@idcourts.net.

Human Resources News continued . . .

Current Position Openings

[Click here](#) for a complete description of the position and application materials.

□□ Fifth Judicial District Drug Court Coordinator: The Fifth Judicial District has a fulltime

opening, effective August 1, 2014, for a Drug Court Coordinator to administer and coordinate felony drug court operations and activities in the Fifth Judicial District. The Drug Court Coordinator is a Jerome County position with offices located in Twin Falls. [Click here](#) for a complete description of the position. If you are interested in applying for the position, you can download the employment application on the [Jerome County website](#). To apply, please send the completed employment application as well as a cover letter and resume to Linda Wright, Trial Court Administrator, P.O. Box 126, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0126. Application materials must be received by *Friday, June 20, 2014 by 5:00 p.m. MDT*.

District Guardianship & Conservatorship Monitoring Coordinator—3rd Judicial District: The Idaho Judicial Branch has a career opportunity for a District Guardianship and Conservatorship Monitoring Coordinator responsible for establishing systems to enhance the safety and wellbeing of protected persons throughout the judicial district. The position is located in Caldwell, Idaho. For a complete description of the position as well as application materials, please [click here](#). Application packets must be received by *Mon., June 16, 2014 by 5:00 pm, MDT*.

District guardianship and conservatorship monitoring coordinator - 5th Judicial District: The Idaho Judicial Branch has a career opportunity for a District Guardian ship and Conservatorship Monitoring Coordinator responsible for establishing systems to enhance the safety and wellbeing of protected persons throughout the judicial district. The position is located in Twin Falls, Idaho. For a complete description of the position as well as application materials, please [click here](#). Application packets must be received by *Monday, June 16, 2014 by 5:00 pm, MDT*.

Court support technician: The Idaho Judicial Branch has a career opportunity for a Court Support Technician to provide on-going support for court software applications and assist with tier one customer support for basic technical issues. For a complete description of the position as well as application materials, please [click here](#). Application packets must be received by *Monday, June 23, 2014 by 5:00 p.m., MDT*.

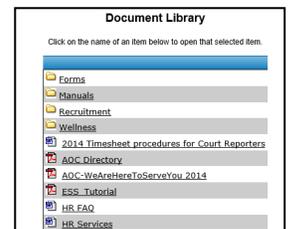
Employee Self-Service (ESS) Tip

Looking for personnel/payroll forms, manuals, and other useful information?

> Click on the [IDAHO JUDICIAL BRANCH](#) tab.

> Then click [DOCUMENTS](#).

There you will find a library of forms, manuals, reports, and other useful information.



Informational Seminars Offered in June

Occasionally, the State of Idaho Deferred Compensation Committee will host speakers to come to Boise to speak on specific retirement issues. The Vice President of Nationwide Financial, Troy Simmons, will be here on June 9th and June 10th to talk about two of the biggest retirement planning concerns: [Social Security](#) & [Health Care Costs](#). There are two separate seminars (click on each topic to for information).

These will be informative seminars for employees to attend. The seminars will be held at the Capital Building with limited seating so please contact Sherie Keck at kecks@nationwide.com to save your seats! For those outside of Boise who would like to attend, the upcoming seminars will be broadcast Statewide. Go to <http://legislature.idaho.gov/> and click on the "Video and Audio Streaming" link.

HR News continued . . .

Human Resources News continued . . .**Wellness News**

Take care of the skin you're in! It's almost June—do you know where your sunscreen, sunglasses, and wide-brimmed hat are?

[Get Screened!](#)

[Vitamin D](#)

[Sunscreens: Safe & Effective](#)

[Infant Sunscreen Guidelines](#)

[Sunscreen 101: Dermatologists Answer Your Questions](#)

[The Burning Truth: Tanning Beds](#)

[Recommendation Product Finder](#)

Think you have the oldest expired sunscreen here at the Supreme Court/Court of Appeals?

Here's what to do: Put your name on the bottle and drop it off to the HR Office by June 11th.

If you have the oldest expired sunscreen, you will receive a brand new bottle of sunscreen for the summer!

Men's Health Month

June is Men's Health Month.

Take steps to be healthier and stronger →

- [Man up.](#)
- [Men's Health](#)
- [Getting on Track](#)
- [Screening Tests](#)
- [Men and Depression](#)
- [Resources & Related Links](#)

Judicial Education News**Ignition Interlocks: Status Update**

Thursday, July 24 / 11:00 am MDT [Click here](#) for FREE Registration

Faculty: Erin Holmes, Traffic Injury Research Foundation

Oftentimes in impaired driving cases, a defendant will be required to install an ignition interlock system on their vehicle before they are allowed to drive again. Some states require the offender to install these devices after the first conviction; other states require interlocks to be installed after repeat offenses. There are a wide variety of ignition interlock systems, and they vary in terms of capabilities and analysis offered by each. This webcast will provide a brief overview the basics of ignition interlock technology, delve into the capabilities and limitations of the ignition interlock, discuss the current status of ignition interlock laws nationwide, and provide information on the newest technology updates.

Save the Dates

>> 2014 Adult Drug Court Institute / August 4 and 5, 2014

>> Continued training targeted to Child Protection Drug Courts - August 6, 2014

There will be an Adult Drug Court Institute on August 4 and 5, 2014 at the Riverside Hotel in Boise. Teams will be invited from Adult Drug Courts, Child Protection Drug Courts, DUI Courts and Veteran's Court. Expenses will be covered for all Adult Drug Court Judges and Coordinators. Some expenses will be covered for attending team members. CLE credit for attorneys, including specific ethics topics will also be included. A continuing training specifically designed for Child Protection Drug Courts will follow on August 6, 2014. Please watch your inbox for registration information.

2013 Idaho Rules Update and Business Practices Webinar for Judges

Title: Rules Update and Business Practices Webinar

Date: Monday, June 30, 2014 Time: 11:00 am—Noon MDT

Join us for this important Rules and Business Practice update.

Space is limited. Reserve your seat now by [clicking here](#).