



Idaho State Judiciary E-News

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Important Pre-Sentence Report Changes!

Following review and approval from the Felony Sentencing Committee, the Department of Health and Welfare will be providing an enhanced mental health report as part of the PSI, rather than the letter that has previously been distributed. Please [see this form](#) as an example of what you should expect to see in the next few months as the mental health recommendation for offenders.

First-Time Offenders Find Second Chance in Drug Court Program

Rexburg, Idaho – Idaho is taking a new approach to drug use and mental health cases by introducing problem-solving courts aimed at helping addicts and others overcome their problems.



Judge Moeller, LT Smooth, and Judge Rammell.

For the full story from KIDK3, copy & paste this URL into your browser:

<http://www.localnews8.com/news/firsttime-offenders-find-second-chance-in-drug-court-program/26872718>

News Briefs & Other Items of Importance

- [North Idaho Prepares for Water Wars](#)
- [Order adopting Idaho Criminal Rule 12.2, effective August 1, 2014](#)
- [NCSC: Trends in State Courts](#)

Human Resources News

Recruitment Underway for Administrative Director of the Courts

The Idaho Courts have a career opportunity for the Administrative Director of the Courts of the Idaho Judicial Branch. [Click here](#) for a complete position description and how to apply. Application packets must be received by **Monday, July 28, 2014 by 5:00 p.m., MDT**. The State of Idaho is an equal opportunity employer.

Legislative Changes Affecting Judges

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

UPDATED Judicial Policy Manual Available for Review

Please see the [DRAFT, UPDATED REDLINED](#) version of the policy manual that applies specifically to judges. Please note that the feedback that has been received is still being reviewed. We value your input and welcome your continuing comments. Please e-mail your feedback to hr@idcourts.net by July 11, 2014 or call Human Resources with any questions, concerns, or suggestions. Thank you!

Summary of ISC|COA Published Opinions

[July 3-9, 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](#) 07-11-14

Health Matters: [Wellness News](#)

Other HR resources:

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

[Tips for using ESS](#) as of 07-11-14

[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 July 3, 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)

Need Technical Assistance?

Email: helpdesk@idcourts.net

Online Form: www.isc.idaho.gov/helpdesk

Or Call: 208-334-3868



Eight Judges Complete Faculty Development Course

The Education Office of the Supreme Court recently completed a four day Faculty Development Course. Those receiving Certificates of Completion were District Judges Juneal Kerrick, Greg Moeller, David Nye, Senior District Judge Ron Wilper, Magistrate Judges Michael Oths, James Cawthon, Theresa Gardunia, and David Epis. Faculty Development, designed especially for those engaged in teaching judges and court personnel, provided the latest instruction in adult learning and education, and best practices for effective presentation and learning. Program topics included Adult Learning and Needs Assessment, Content Development for Interactive Education, and Utilizing Visual Aids for Dynamic Presentations. The course was designed by Ileen Gerstenberger, the Education Manager for the Supreme Court. Co-Directors of Judicial Education, Senior District Judge Mike McLaughlin and Magistrate Judge Debra Heise, assisted in presenting the course. Faculty development will be an annual program for judges and AOC staff to build future teachers for Idaho Education Conferences. Congratulations, Judges!

Judicial Education News

The Numbers Game: Financial Statements in the Courtroom

August 21-22, 2014 / Seattle, WA / NO COST for Judges to attend.

Contact [Judge McLaughlin](#) for registration.

Attention Child Protection Drug Court Judges and Teams: Webinars on CPDC STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES -Friday July 25 and Friday August 1st (1:00 pm MDT)

The Education Office, in conjunction with the Child Protection Drug Courts, have scheduled two webinars to present and discuss the CPDC Standards and Guidelines. Norma Jaeger, Scott Ronan, Ryan Porter and Deb Alsaker Burke will present on these new standards in advance of the Child Protection Drug Court Institute on August 6. This is your opportunity to learn about the new standards and guidelines and provide input.

July 25 Webinar at 1:00 pm MDT / [Click here to reserve Webinar seat](#)

August 1 Webinar at 1:00 pm MDT / [Click here to reserve Webinar seat](#)

After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Webinar.

Civil Mediation / October 6-10, 2014 / Reno, NV

[Click here for information and to register.](#)

Problem-Solving Court Graduations & News

Kootenai County Felony Drug Court
July 14 @ 3:00 p.m.
Kootenai County Courthouse, Rm. 12
Coeur d'Alene

Bonner County Felony Drug Court
July 15 @ 5:00 p.m.
Bonner County Courthouse
Courtroom One
Sandpoint

Ada County Felony Drug Court 1
July 16 @ 5:30 p.m.
Ada County Courthouse, First Floor
Commissioners' Hearing Room
Boise

Ada County Felony Drug Court II
July 16 @ 5:30 p.m.
Ada County Courthouse,
Commissioners' Hearing Room, 1st Fl.
Boise

Bingham County Misd./DUI
July 24 @ 4:00 p.m.
Bingham County Courthouse Rm. 3
Blackfoot

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Dependent Eligibility Audit Underway

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. **The deadline for submitting documentation is July 23, 2014. If you have dependents on your insurance and have NOT received a letter, please contact HMS Employee Solutions IMMEDIATELY at 1-877-862-8240.**

Employee Policy Manual Available

The [Employee Policy Manual for Judicial Branch Employees](#) was approved by the Court at its June 16, 2014 oral conference. The *Employee Policy Manual*, effective July 1, 2014, will be available in the Documents/Manuals section of the Employee Self Service (ESS) program, and linked in the Human Resources section of the *Court E-News*. All employees will be required to print and sign the Acknowledgment in the *Employee Policy Manual* and return it to Human Resources by August 1, 2014. If you have any questions, please contact the HR Office at hr@idcourts.net.

Current Position Opening

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

Court Reporter for Judge Michael Crabtree - 5th Judicial District: The Idaho Courts have a career opportunity for a Court Reporter for Judge Michael Crabtree in the Fifth Judicial District. The official workstation for this position will be located in Burley, Idaho. Application packets must be received by **Friday, August 29, 2014 by 5:00 p.m., MDT**.

THRIVE IDAHO News

Congratulations to Jake McNamara from the Idaho Supreme Court for winning the most recent iPod/bodybugg drawing for participating in thriveidaho! Visit the [thriveidaho website](#) to learn how YOU can earn rewards! **Stay in touch with thriveidaho by subscribing to the [eNewsletter here!](#)**

To have graduations included in the
Court E-News, email Craig at
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