



## PROPOSED

Minutes of April 11, 2005 ISC Meeting  
(Revised 06/02/2005)

### APPROVED MINUTES – 06.06.2005

Committee members in attendance: Hugh D. Hayes  
Robert Jacobs  
Sheldon Finman  
Peter Ringsmuth

Others in attendance: Richard Callanan  
Randall McGruther  
Peter Hoffmann  
Suzanne Ederr  
Carrie Smith  
Rebeca Lade  
Debra Leoci  
Cary Cliff  
Betty Gourley

Phone attendance: JAC Executive Director and Staff

1. Minutes and ISC Actions on February 14, 2004.  
- **Action:** Motion to approve minutes as submitted passed unanimously.
2. Public Comment.  
- **Action:** No public comment offered
3. JAC Request for rate clarification regarding juvenile delinquency VOPs.  
- **Action:** Stephen Presnell spoke on behalf of the JAC as to the JAC request, recommendations were made by Court Administration staff, and a discussion was held. A motion was made and the ISC unanimously approved a flat-rate of \$500.00 for Juvenile Delinquency VOP proceedings and directed that the fee schedule for VOPs be amended to account for the Juvenile Delinquency VOPs.

4. Review of additional or amended applications for ISC Registry:

- Laurence J. Smith
- Harley David Nunes Brook
- Michelle Berthiaume
- John T. Edmonds (amended application)
- David Brener (amended application)
- Barbara Trescott (amended application)

- **Action:** A motion was made and the ISC unanimously approved the 3 new applications to be added to the registry of court-appointed attorneys and the 3 amended applications. The approval of the application of Laurence J. Smith in the TPR category and appeals/dependency-TPR category was provisional and subject to verification of his qualifications. Court Administration staff will follow-up to request verification from Mr. Smith.

5. Report as to issue regarding Creole interpreters.

- **Action:** A report was given by Court Administration staff as to efforts made to recruit more Creole interpreters, followed by discussion and input from Victoria Montenaro on behalf of the JAC and from Attorney Debra Leoci. A motion was made and the ISC unanimously approved amending the rate for Creole interpreters to \$50.00 per hour/skilled and \$60.00 per hour/qualified, with a 2 hour minimum as an exotic language.

6. Report as to issue regarding competitive bid process for Collier dependency attorneys.

- **Action:** A report was given by Court Administration staff and a discussion was held. It was agreed that Court Administration staff would finalize an RFP/Q and would submit a copy to the ISC committee members for their review prior to the next scheduled meeting.

7. Report as to issue of amending registry to account for court-appointed attorneys in miscellaneous categories.

- **Action:** A report was given by Court Administration staff. A motion was made and the ISC unanimously approved adding "Criminal Traffic" and "Contempt Proceedings" to the already existing "Misdemeanor" category, and adding "Adult Protective Services Act – Fla. Stat. §§415.101-415.113," "Developmentally Disabled Adult – Fla. Stat. Ch. 393," "Emancipation – Fla. Stat. §743.015," "Medical Procedures – Fla. Stat. §394.459(3)(c)," "STD – Fla. Stat. §384.28," and "Tuberculosis – Fla. Stat. Ch. 392" to the already existing "Guardianship" category. Court Administration staff will proceed to take the necessary administrative steps to effectuate these changes and to notify the affected attorneys currently on the registry.

8. Issue: Attorney David Brener's suggestion to create two separate categories for first-chair and second-chair death penalty court-appointed attorneys.  
- **Action:** A report was given by Court Administration staff and a discussion was held. A motion was made to make no changes at this time to the registry listing for death penalty attorneys. Committee members Judge Hayes, Robert Jacobs, and Sheldon Finman voted in favor of the motion, while committee member Peter Ringsmuth abstained.
9. Proposed Legislation – SB 2542  
- **Action:** This agenda item was for informational purposes only. A report was given by Court Administration staff, and Victoria Montenegro on behalf of the JAC provided an update as to the status of the pending legislation.
10. Next Meeting  
- **Action:** The ISC selected *Monday, June 6, 2005, 12:00 p.m.* as the next meeting date.

**Staff Follow-up:**

- a. Contact Attorney Laurence J. Smith and request verification as to his qualifications to be on the registry.
- b. Update the registry to add the 3 new attorneys and make the amendments to the already listed attorneys.
- c. Update the registry to add in the miscellaneous categories.
- d. Update the Qualifications to add in the miscellaneous categories.
- e. Update the Application to add in the miscellaneous categories.
- f. Send memo to all affected attorneys on the registry advising of the addition of the miscellaneous categories.
- g. Provide updated registry to JAC, Chief Justice, Clerks, Court Admin registry points-of-contact; post updated registry on the ISC web page.
- h. Update the fee schedule as approved by the ISC; provide updated fee schedule to JAC; post updated fee schedule on the ISC web page.
- i. Monitor progress of recruiting Creole interpreters.
- j. Prepare RFP/Q for Collier dependency attorneys; e-mail draft to Committee members.