

# Supreme Court of Florida

No. AOSC18-19

IN RE: COMMISSION ON TRIAL COURT  
PERFORMANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

The purpose of the Commission on Trial Court Performance and Accountability is to propose policies and procedures on matters related to the efficient and effective functioning of Florida's trial courts through the development of comprehensive resource management, performance measurement, and accountability programs.

During the next two years, the Commission is expected to perform the following tasks, noting the strong connection between these issues and several of the goals and strategies in The Long Range Strategic Plan for the Florida Judicial Branch 2016-2021:

1. In support of Goal 1.2 (Ensure the fair and timely resolution of all cases through effective case management) and Goal 1.3 (Utilize caseload and other workload information to manage resources and promote accountability), continue the development of recommendations on the Trial Court Performance Management

Framework. Specifically, the Commission shall establish a data quality workgroup to a) improve overall confidence in data and, if time permits, b) consider whether the starting point of time standards should begin once judicial action commences as opposed to indictment, information, petition, or complaint filing date, and c) consider if there should be new time standards for how long litigants have to wait for a hearing, a trial, or a ruling.

2. In support of Goal 4.3 (Create a compatible technology infrastructure to improve case management and meet the needs of the judicial branch and the court users), the Commission shall continue the implementation of Uniform Case Reporting based on the schedule approved by the Court.
3. In support of Goal 2.5 (Reduce communication and language barriers to facilitate participation in court proceedings), the Commission shall continue to provide governance support to the circuits in the implementation and use of virtual remote interpreting to facilitate language access.
4. In support of Goal 1.5 (Encourage the use of consistent practices, procedures, and forms statewide), the Commission shall continue to provide support to the Due Process

Workgroup, a joint workgroup of the Trial Court Budget Commission and the Commission that is charged with identifying factors affecting the cost of providing court reporting, court interpreting, and expert witness services and developing comprehensive fiscal and operational recommendations to optimize due process services.

5. In support of Goal 1.3 (Utilize caseload and other workload information to manage resources and promote accountability), the Commission shall review secondary factors impacting judicial certification to determine if there are areas of inconsistency between the case weights and current judicial assignments. The Commission shall review rules 2.240(b)(1)(B) and 2.240(c), Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, to determine if there is a need to recommend any suggested modifications.
6. In support of Goal 3.3 (Communicate effectively with all branches and levels of government of justice system issues), the Commission shall continue to assist the judicial branch as it responds to performance and accountability-related statutory

requirements and requests by the Florida Legislature and the  
Office of the Governor.

The following individuals are appointed to serve on the Commission for  
terms that expire on June 30, 2020:

The Honorable Paul Alessandroni  
County Court Judge, Charlotte County

The Honorable Jennifer D. Bailey  
Circuit Court Judge, Eleventh Judicial Circuit

Mr. Matthew Benefiel  
Court Administrator, Ninth Judicial Circuit

Ms. Barbara Dawicke  
Court Administrator, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit

Ms. Holly Elomina  
Court Administrator, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable Stephen Everett  
County Court Judge, Leon County

The Honorable John M. Harris  
Chief Judge, Eighteenth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable Laurel M. Lee  
Circuit Court Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable Leandra G. Johnson  
Circuit Court Judge, Third Judicial Circuit

Mr. Jon Lin  
Court Administrator, Fifth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable Janeice T. Martin  
County Court Judge, Collier County

The Honorable Ellen Sly Masters  
Circuit Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable Diana L. Moreland  
Circuit Court Judge, Twelfth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable Mark W. Moseley  
Circuit Court Judge, Eighth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable Elijah Smiley  
Chief Judge, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable William F. Stone  
Circuit Court Judge, First Judicial Circuit

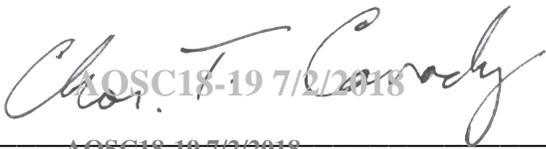
The Commission is authorized to propose statutory changes and amendments to rules of court procedure as related to the operational efficiency and effectiveness of the trial courts, for consideration by the Court. In developing proposed amendments to rules of court procedure, the Commission is directed to establish appropriate liaison relationships with the relevant Florida Bar rules committees. Should the Commission recommend amendments to the rules of court procedure or forms, it shall file such recommendations in petition form with the Clerk of the Florida Supreme Court.

Should the Commission make recommendations that require additional funding or resources to implement, impact court technology, or impact education and training needs of judges and court staff, the Commission is directed to establish the necessary liaison relationship with the Trial Court Budget Commission, the Florida Courts Technology Commission, or the Florida Court

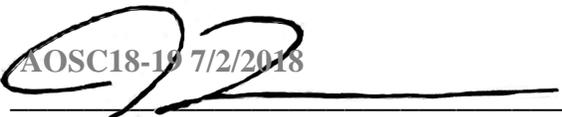
Education Council, as appropriate. At a minimum, the Commission shall provide the Chairs of these liaison groups with copies of those Commission reports and recommendations, prior to the finalization of the reports.

The Honorable Diana L. Moreland shall serve as chair of the Commission through June 30, 2020. Staff support will be provided by the Office of the State Courts Administrator. The Commission should submit its reports to the Chief Justice through the State Courts Administrator.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tallahassee, Florida, on July 2, 2018.

  
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Chief Justice Charles T. Canady

ATTEST:

  
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John Tomasino, Clerk of Court  
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