MINUTES COMPLEX LITIGATION COMMITTEE June 13, 2008 10:00 a.m.

The Complex Litigation Committee held a meeting at the New Haven Judicial District courthouse, 235 Church Street, New Haven, CT, seventh floor Lawyers' Lounge, at 10:00 a.m.

Members in attendance were: Committee Chair Honorable Dennis Eveleigh; Honorable Barbara M. Quinn; Honorable Robert A. Beach, Jr.; Honorable Marshall K. Berger; Honorable Arthur A. Hiller; Honorable Alfred J. Jennings, Jr.; Honorable Linda K. Lager; Attorney Joseph Burns; Attorney Jonathan Orleans; Attorney William Prout; Attorney John Rose; and Attorney Richard Weinstein.

Guests: Attorney Joseph D'Alesio

At 10:10 a.m., Honorable Dennis Eveleigh called the meeting to order.

I. Report out of Subcommittee Recommendations and Proposals

Each subcommittee reported out on the items discussed in their respective subcommittee meetings. (The minutes for each of the subcommittee meetings are available on the Judicial Branch Website, by clicking on each subcommittee's link.)

Administrative Subcommittee:

Judge Lager, filling in for Attorney Richard A. Silver, Chair of the Administrative Subcommittee, presented Proposals and Changes to Administrative Practices Recommended by the Administrative Subcommittee. The following items were presented, and the committee held discussion on each topic:

- Complex Litigation Docket (CLD) Coordination-
- Evaluations- Superior Court/CLD
- Criteria for CLD
- Length of Assignment
- Additional CLD Locations
- Speeding the Jury Selection
- Potential Use of Trial Referees

Procedures Subcommittee:

Attorney Richard Weinstein, Chair of the Procedures Subcommittee, presented Proposals and Changes to Procedures Recommended by the Procedures Subcommittee. The following items were presented and the committee held discussion on each topic:

- Referral Process
- Request for Adjudication
- Identifying the Filer of a Motion
- Wireless Fidelity (Wi-Fi) Access
- Display of CLD Events on the Judicial Branch Website

Attorney D'Alesio participated in the discussion regarding the topic of Identifying the Filer of a Motion, as relates to the Judicial Branch's future Efiling system enhancements.

Standards Committee:

Attorney William Prout, Chair of the Standards Subcommittee, presented Proposals and Changes to the Standards for Determining Eligibility Recommendations by the Standards Subcommittee, as relates to the language used in the Information Sheet (a document entitled "Facts about the Connecticut Judicial Branch Complex Litigation Docket").

Judge Eveleigh recommended that a final list of proposals be circulated for full committee review, which would be presented at the next committee meeting. The committee would then vote on final recommendations.

II. Review and Approval of Minutes:

Judge Eveleigh made a motion to approve the minutes from the committee's April 25, 2008 meeting, and the motion was so approved.

III. Other Business

Judge Eveleigh set the next Complex Litigation Committee meeting date for August 27, 2008, 10:00 a.m., at the Waterbury Superior courthouse, 400 Grand Street, Waterbury, CT.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.