Public Service and Trust Commission Jury Communications Review Committee (JCRC) Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Jury Communications Review Committee (JCRC) was held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 30, 2014 in Conference Room 133 at 225 Spring Street, Wethersfield, CT.

Members Present: Ms. Esther Harris (Chair), Mr. Frank Rizzo, Ms. Elizabeth Mirmina, Mr. Brandon Pelegano, Chief Ines Nieves, Ms. Rhonda Hebert, and Ms. Carolina E. Marin.

Members Not Present: Attorney Adam Mauriello and Mr. Girvan Dinnall.

The following issues were discussed by attendees:

- 1) Reviewed and approved minutes from 5/28/14.
- 2) Briefly discussed the Permanent Medical Disqualification (denied) notice. Jury Administration has decided to no longer use this notice and instead use the same notice as the one for the regular medical disqualifications.
- 3) Members reviewed the suggested changes to the Non US Citizen (granted & denied) and the Judicial District disqualification notices. Additional revisions were made.
- 4) Frank provided members with an update about Planet Press, the program that prints all of the jury notices. Planet Press cannot print in color, nor embolden or underline font. Members discussed other options to highlight important information on forms and it was decided that capitalization will be used instead.
- 5) Other Business:
 - a. Link to postponement page may change depending on web "traffic" therefore will need to use link to "Answer Your Summons" page on the jury forms that have inform about the option to postpone online.
 - b. Briefly discussed the error message language of the "Check Your Attendance Status" page. Tabled to next meeting.
 - c. Briefly discussed possibly changing the title of the disqualification notices. Tabled to next meeting.
 - d. Jury Video update: Jury Video Committee first meeting will be 8/12/14. Committee to review script for final approval. Hoping to begin filming in September.
 - e. Juror Security Subcommittee: Esther chairing new committee and asked that any juror safety concerns or issues are brought to her attention.
- 6) The meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.
- 7) The next JCRC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 27, 2014 in room 133 at 225 Spring Street, Wethersfield, CT. Members may also attend via conference call. Phone number and codes will be e-mailed upon request prior to meeting.