Connecticut Judicial Branch Public Access Task Force

MEETING AGENDA August 24, 2006

Supreme Court 231 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut

PUBLIC HEARING

1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

The Public Hearing is scheduled to conclude no later than 3:30; Guidelines for Comments are attached to this agenda.

TASK FORCE MEETING

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

1.	Review and Approval of Minutes	Task Force
2.	Revised Task Force Committee Reports and a. Administrative Records & Meetings b. Access to Court Records c. Access to Judicial Proceedings	d Recommendations Judge Ment and Atty. Neigher Judge Alander and Ms. Collins Atty. Bayer and Mr. Sanders
3.	Discussion of Task Force Report	Justice Palmer
4.	Other Business	Task Force

5. Adjourn

Connecticut Judicial Branch Public Access Task Force Information for Speakers at Public Hearings

The Connecticut Judicial Branch Public Access Task Force will hold the first of two public hearings on Thursday, August 24, 2006 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Connecticut Supreme Court courtroom, located at 231 Capitol Avenue, Hartford. The second public hearing will be held on September 7, 2006 from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Any person who wishes to present comments or suggestions to the Public Access Task Force is encouraged to attend. A sign-up sheet for those choosing to speak at the public hearing will be available in the lobby outside of the Supreme Court courtroom one hour prior to the start of the hearing. Speakers are encouraged to provide for the members of the Task Force twenty copies of their remarks, which should be submitted when signing up to speak.

The chair of the Public Access Task Force will call those who have signed up to speak in the order in which their names appear on the sign-up sheet. When you are called, please identify yourself and remember to speak slowly and distinctly so that your comments will be heard. Speakers will be limited to five minutes of testimony in order to provide opportunity for all interested persons to speak to the Task Force, and to permit time for questions from Task Force members.

Speakers are asked to direct their remarks to matters that are within the charge of the Public Access Task Force. Prior to the public hearing, members of the public and news media are encouraged to review the draft reports and recommendations that are posted on the Public Access Task Force web page, which may be accessed from the Judicial Branch home page (www.jud.ct.gov) by clicking on the Public Access Task Force quick link on the right side of the home page.

If you are unable to attend the public hearings, comments and/or suggestions for the Task Force may be submitted at any time through the email address on the Judicial Branch website (public.access@jud.ct.gov) or via mail to: Public Access Task Force, Second Floor, Room J-202, Supreme Court Building, 231 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.