Delivery Committee Minutes September 21, 2023

Dave Stark chaired the meeting. Those in attendance included members Elisa Overall, Carol Haller, Judge Lino Lipinsky, John Tull, Ric Morgan, Wes Hassler, Katy Donnelly, Jon Asher, Toni-Anne Nunez, Penny Wagner, Judge Adam Espinosa, and Judge Dan Taubman.

Legal Deserts:

Ric Morgan reported on the Virtual Pro Se Clinic collaborating with the CBA YLD. The Colorado Lawyers Committee YLD is also interested in supplying volunteers for the Clinic. Ric has scheduled a meeting on September 23 with the Lawyers Committee to firm up their commitment. He also explained what the Clinic does, where the services are provided, and how it differs from unbundled or full-service representation. This is not legal advice and instead is legal services. Ric also noted that two retired judges are participating

Colorado Open Records Law and Open Meetings Law:

The training for the ATJC was held on August 30 by Zoom call. At the September meeting the chair questioned whether the Open Records Law and Open Meetings Law applied to the ATJC because the Commission does not have authority to make binding policy decisions. The chair and others commented that even though it may be a close question, the best practice is to follow the Laws to avoid any issues. The chair noted that the issue will be discussed at the November meeting of the ATJC, given that the September meeting was cancelled for lack of a quorum.

Encouraging Practice outside the Metro Area:

Emo explained that the Greater Colorado Law School Experience is in jeopardy because it no longer has a home in the Judicial Department in light of Sumi Lee's departure to the Governor's office. The ATJC will provide a temporary home for it. The Office of Alternative Defense Counsel also has a two-year fellowship to encourage practice in Greater Colorado.

Remote Proceedings:

The committee discussed John Tull's evaluation of the CJD and possible follow-up. The committee decided to make a recommendation to the ATJC that is ask for a representative on the SCAO committee studying and assessing the CJD and its implementation. The committee voted to review a current draft of the evaluation and a draft recommendation to the ATJC stating the basis and reasons for the recommendation. The committee will take this up at the next meeting if John Tull's draft is ready.

Possible Pro Bono Survey:

The committee discussed the 2015 survey done by the predecessor to this committee. The committee heard from John Tull and Judge Taubman that they do not see any necessity to do another survey. Such a survey would require funding which is unavailable at this time.

Licensed Legal Paraprofessionals

The chair gave a brief report on the implementation of the program and discussed work on the Bar Exam for LLPs, Ethics classes, outreach, and education of judges and clerks.

Next Meeting October 19, 2023, remotely.

Submitted by the Chair