



Connecticut Probate Assembly

Legislative Committee

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 6, 2016
9:30 a.m.

Judges in attendance: Hon. Brian Mahon (chair), Hon. Sydney Elkin, Hon. Mathew Greene, Hon. Beverly Streit-Kefalas, Hon. Phil Wright.

Also in attendance: Paul Knierim and Vincent Russo

Judge Mahon called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

Draft Bills

The committee discussed the draft bills that include the concepts approved at the October 14, 2015 meeting. Since a quorum wasn't present, those in attendance agreed to bring the legislation to the Executive Committee for discussion and vote.

New Business

The committee discussed exploring if a retired probate judge could be authorized to hear cases in a Probate Court that has a judicial vacancy.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

- Repeal C.G.S. section 45a-684, which refers to probate fees in GID matters, because the topic is adequately addressed in the revised fee statutes.
- Address additional activities requiring filing fees (e.g. DSS access to an elderly person's home).
- Expand jurisdiction provision in removals and terminations to permit filing in court where child is domiciled or is currently located (in addition to court where child resides).
- Authorize Probate Court to transfer proceeding on a petition to another Probate Court in this state if the court finds that the court lacks jurisdiction but that another court has jurisdiction.

The committee will review the language at the next meeting.

Next Meeting

The next legislative committee meeting will be Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. (Immediately following the Executive Committee meeting.)

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.