

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

## June 13, 2018

Attendees: Judges Wright, Streit-Kefalas, Jalowiec, McNamara, Calabrese, Purnell, Darby, Randich, Keeney, Truppa, DeGennaro, Brandt, Schad, Probate Court Administrator Knierim and Attorney Tom Gaffey.

1. **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 9:46 a.m.

2. **Approval of the Minutes:**

Minutes from the May 9, 2018 meeting approved.

3. **Correspondence:**

A thank you note was received from Linda Neal for the 25 Year Service Award.

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

No report.

5. **Committee Reports:**

Continuing Education – Judge Becker

Judge Brandt reported that the next continuing education program is tomorrow and will cover conservatorship matters. The meeting on September 18, 2018 will cover children's matters.

Ethics – Judge Magistrali

No report.

Legislative – Judge Fox and Judge Rowe

Judge Knierim reported that the budget was approved as anticipated for \$4.3 million and included a suspension of the probate fund sweep.

Nominating – Judge Marino

Motion to appoint Judge Riordan to fill the seat left open when Judge Keeney retires in September. Motion passed.

Planning – Judge Brandt

No report.

Procedures Review – Judge Berkenstock

The committee continues to review and amend forms, including redrafting the forms for commitments.

Public Information – Judge Purnell

The committee will be shifting focus to public education.

Hospitality – Judge Yanim

There is an event planned for August 25, 2018 for judges and their guests. There will be a reception prior to an open air concert held at the Sergio Franchi estate in Stonington. This event was a favorite of the late Judge Cravinho.

Statistics – Judge Dorval

No report.

**6. Comments of the Probate Court Administrator – Judge Knierim**

Judge Knierim announced that a vendor for the new eFiling system has been selected and contract negotiations are proceeding. The goal to implement it system wide is July, 2019. Pilot programs will begin in September.

The Conservator Standards of Practice are effective July 1, 2018. The booklets have been printed and distributed. A Spanish version is in process. There was a suggestion to send a copy to all the current contract conservators and discussion on how the booklets should be distributed on an ongoing basis.

The online Conservator training will be launched shortly.

**7. Comments of the President-Judge – Judge Wright**

Judge Wright reported that committee appointment forms have been sent to all judges and he requests that all respond by June 15, 2018.

**8. Other Business to come before the Executive Committee**

None.

**9. Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn was made.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hon. Leah Schad  
Recording Secretary