



CONNECTICUT PROBATE ASSEMBLY

**Regular Meeting of the
Executive Committee
September 10, 2025
9:45 a.m.**

Office of the Probate Court Administrator
186 Newington Rd.
West Hartford, CT 06110

Attendees: Judges Barrett, Brandt, Ceneviva, Daly, Darby, Hoyle, Lewis, McCaffrey, Osterndorf, and Randich. Also present: PCA Chief Counsel Heather L. Dostaler and Probate Court Administrator Beverly Streit.

1. Call to Order:

Judge Darby called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

2. Approval of the Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2025 meeting was made by Judge Lewis and seconded by Judge Hoyle and unanimously approved.

3. Correspondence:

None.

4. Treasurer Report:

Judge Randich reported that there is a revision to the second quarter report and he also presented the year-end report for Fiscal Year Ending 06/30/2025. A motion to approve the second quarter report as revised and to approve the year-end report for Fiscal Year Ending 06/30/2025 was made by Judge Hoyle and seconded by Judge Barrett and unanimously approved.

5. Committee Reports:

Continuing Education

Judge Lewis reported the next education program is on September 17th and is focusing on children's matters. On October 22nd there will be a Judges Institute that will address the legislative update, mediation, citations, and ADA for judges. Lastly, on November 19th, we will join the CT Bar Association for a bench/bar education program. The next meeting is October 15th at 9:30 a.m. at PCA.

Ethics

Judge Brandt reported that the next meeting is September 18th at 9:30 a.m. at PCA.

Legislative

Judge Streit reminded judges that the legislative summary of the 2025 legislative session has been emailed and posted on the website. Also on September 15, 2025,

she will convene the PA 25-48 Section 7 Working Group which will focus on conservator issues.

Planning

Judge Hoyle as the new Chair of the committee reported that the draft bench guide regarding virtual and electronic hearings is being finalized.

Procedures Review

Judge Streit shared that the next meeting is December 1st at PCA.

Public Information

No report.

Court Security

Judge Hoyle reminded all that PCA IT sent an email to all courts regarding security measures and he encourages all judges to review the opportunities to enhance each court. The next committee meeting is November 3, 2025 at 10 a.m.

NCPJ

Judge McCaffrey reported that the next NCPJ Conference is in Galveston, Texas in November (11/11-11/14) and that retired Judge Purnell will be the new President.

6. Comments of the Probate Court Administrator:

Judge Streit reported on the following: The Rules Committee for the 2026 edition of the Rules has been meeting and all the concepts and revisions have been vetted with the proposed revisions being drafted. She also attended the recent CBA Estate and Probate Section meeting and will be presenting to them at its October meeting.

7. Comments of the President Judge:

Judge Darby commented on the following:

- Judge Anthony resigned as Chair of the Planning Committee so he may serve as Chair of the Nominating Committee. A motion to approve Judge Anthony as Chair of the Nominating Committee was made by Judge Lewis and seconded by Judge Hoyle and unanimously approved.
- He also announced that he has formed an ad hoc Bylaws Revision Committee which Judge Brandt has agreed to chair.

8. Other Business to come before the Executive Committee:

None

9. Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Judge Randich and seconded by Judge Lewis. The meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Hon. Ariana F. Ceneviva, Executive/Recording Secretary