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**Regular Meeting of the
Probate Court Rules of Procedure
Advisory Committee**

Thursday, August 7, 2025

**Office of the Probate Court Administrator
186 Newington Road, West Hartford, 06110**

Minutes

The meeting was convened at 3:11 p.m.

Members in attendance: Chair Hon. Beverly K. Streit, Probate Court Administrator; Attorney Molly Ackerly; Mr. Ned Bixler; Attorney Douglas R. Brown; Attorney Evan C. Brunetti; Chief Counsel Heather L. Dostaler; Attorney James I. Dougherty; Attorney Zachary T. King; Attorney Andrew S. Knott; Hon. Kathleen N. Maxham (ret.); Mr. Stephen A. Pedneault, CPA/CFF, CFE; Hon. Robert A. Randich; Attorney Eric H. Rothausen; Hon. Sophia H. Shaikh; and Hon. David C. Shepard; and Attorney Greta E. Solomon.

Members absent: Assistant Attorney General Rebekah Burgio; Hon. Peter C. Barrett; Prof. Jeffrey A. Cooper; Attorney Janie L. McDermott; Attorney Melissa Nixon; Attorney Carmine Perri; and Hon. Steven M. Zelman (ret.).

Approval of minutes of June 26, 2025 meeting

Following a motion to approve the minutes by Stephen A. Pedneault, CPA/CFF, CFE and seconded by Hon. Kathleen N. Maxham, the minutes of the June 26, 2025 meeting were approved.

Review of concepts for revision for the 2026 edition

The Committee continued to review proposed concepts for rules presented at the last meeting. The full committee reached consensus after discussion on the following topics:

- To draft and further review revisions to Rule 42 to incorporate the current protocol among the Office of the Probate Court Administrator, the Department of Children and Families and the Superior Court-Juvenile Matters.
- To make no changes to Rule 1.1(15).
- To repeal Rule 2.2 relating to applicability of Probate Court Rules of Procedure to probate appeals, subject to advisement by the Probate Court Administrator.
- To make no changes to streamline procedures under Rule 8.6(h).
- To draft and further review revisions to Rule 30.17 for consistency with C.G.S. § 45a-434(c).

Next Meeting

The next meeting is August 28, 2025 at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator, 186 Newington Road, West Hartford, CT 06110 from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Other Business

The committee will add meetings on September 18, 2025 and October 9, 2025 to ensure completion of the rule revisions.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Hon. David C. Shepard and seconded by Attorney Douglas R. Brown. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:44 p.m.