## JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

## **MINUTES**

June 3, 2000 (Little America, Cheyenne)

Present

Ryckman, Brackley, Kautz, Hartman, Sullins, Price, O'Brien, Park, Donnell, Kalokathis, Grant, Guthrie, Stebner and Voigt.

Absent

Rogers, Patrick, Troughton

Met with Governor Geringer concerning his areas of interest, including juvenile issues, court-ordered placement of children, judicial reorganization, the judicial appointment process, and technology.

Westlaw account representative Nick Gardner reviewed our present contract and ways to reduce usage/costs. An increase should be expected when this contract expires in January, 2001.

Kathy Carlson from the State Law Library discussed Westlaw and internet legal research, with emphasis on cost-saving alternatives to Westlaw.

John O'Brien reported on the Wyoming Supreme Court's most recent work in the area of technology and computerization.

The first meeting was held for the Judicial Conference of the District Court, which is the new statutory name for this organization, apparently replacing the name, District Court Division of the Wyoming Judicial Council. The following action was taken upon motion, second and unanimous vote:

- 1. Acceptance of the proposed governing rules with the amendments set forth below.
- 2. A quorum requirement of nine, with a majority of those present required to take action.
- 3. Mandatory attendance at meetings unless excused for good cause.
- 4. Special meetings may be called by the president with three days' notice.
- 5. Meetings will be held each year on the second Friday of March and September.
- 6. The "nomination" of Judges Hartman, Donnell and Voigt by the Chief Justice to the newly formed Board of Judicial Policy and Administration was ratified.

Barton R. Voigt