

# WYOMING JUDICIAL COUNCIL

## AGENDA

Virtual Meeting – Teams

December 15, 2025

8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

**Members:** Chief Justice Lynne Boomgaarden (chair), Justice Kari Gray, Justice Robert Jarosh, Judge Dawnessa Snyder, Judge Joseph Bluemel, Judge Scott Peasley, Judge John Prokos, Judge Sean Chambers, Judge Susan Stipe

### WJC BUSINESS

<b>Welcome</b>	Chief Justice Boomgaarden
<b>1. Judicial Performance Evaluation</b> Chief Justice Boomgaarden Council Discussion  Attachment 1.1 – IAALS: Recommendations for Modernizing Judicial Performance Evaluation	Chief Justice Boomgaarden will lead a discussion on Judicial Performance Evaluation, and will present the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Council create a standing committee on Judicial Performance.  <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on Judicial Performance Evaluation.
<b>2. Public Audio Streaming in the Trial Courts</b> Elisa Butler Council Discussion  Attachment 2.1 – Streaming Malfunction Analysis	Elisa Butler will provide information about the audio streaming currently being used in the trial courts, and the problem that arose in a district court in November.  <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on how to approach the use of streaming moving forward in all trial courts.  <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on how the Council’s decision should be communicated externally.
<b>3. Rules Policy</b> Chief Justice Boomgaarden Council Discussion  Attachment 3.1 – General Order Amending Policy on Submission of Rule Changes to the Wyoming Supreme Court	Chief Justice Boomgaarden will present the proposed <i>General Order Amending Policy on Submission of Rule Changes to the Wyoming Supreme Court</i> . The Council will discuss the proposed Order.  <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on the <i>General Order Amending Policy on Submission of Rule Changes to the Wyoming Supreme Court</i> .
<b>4. Communications Plan</b> Jacob Just Council Discussion  Attachment 4.1 – 2026-2027 Wyoming Judicial Branch Strategic Communications Plan	Jacob Just will present the proposed Wyoming Judicial Branch Communications Plan for the Council to review and discuss.  <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on the 2026-2027 Wyoming Judicial Branch Strategic Communications Plan.
<b>5. Administrative Judge Policy</b> Judge Chambers Council Discussion  Attachment 5.1 -	Judge Chambers will present the proposed amendments to the Administrative Judge Policy for review and discussion by the Council.  <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on the proposed

	amendments to the Administrative Judge Policy.
<b>6. Technology Reductions</b> Elisa Butler Council Discussion  Attachment 6.1 – Optional Reductions	Elisa Butler will provide information to the Council on options to reduce the costs of technology within the Branch, which may be necessary, and will be dependent upon the outcome of the 2026 Legislative Session.
<b>7. Judicial Nominating Commission</b> Chief Justice Boomgaarden	Chief Justice Boomgaarden will provide an update to the Council on the recent work of the Judicial Nominating Commission.
<b>8. Bench/Bar Relations</b> Chief Justice Boomgaarden	Chief Justice Boomgaarden will provide information to the Council about recent efforts to enhance bench/bar relations.
<b>WJC AND OTHER COMMITTEES</b>	
<b>9. PRAC – Chancery Court Division</b> Judge Burningham Council Discussion  Attachment 9.1 – Memo and Proposed Chancery Court Rule Amendments	Judge Burningham will present the recommendation of the Chancery Court Division of the Permanent Rules Advisory Committee to amend the rules relating to Chancery Court  <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on the recommendation of the Chancery Court Division that the Council recommend adoption of the amendments by the Wyoming Supreme Court.  <u>Committee Members:</u> Judge Burningham (chair), Justice Fenn, Judge McGrady, Judge Sullins (ret.), Stuart Day, Greg Dyekman, Matthew Kaufman, Amanda Sanchez, Tim Stubson, Tom Walters
<b>10. PRAC – Civil Division</b> Justice Jarosh Council Discussion  Attachment 10.1 – Proposed Amendments to WRCP 4; Alternative Service of Process	Justice Jarosh will present the recommendation of the Civil Division of the Permanent Rules Advisory Committee to amend the Wyoming Rules of Civil Procedure related to alternative service of process.  <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on the recommendation of the Civil Division that the Council recommend adoption of the amendments by the Wyoming Supreme Court.  <u>Committee Members:</u> Justice Jarosh (chair), Judge Hibben, Judge D. Phillips, Judge Darrah, Jennifer Beeston, Robert Krause, Clint Langer, Jill Kiester, Deborah Roden, Devon O’Connell, Thomas Rumpke, Alaina Stedillie
<b>11. Access to Justice Commission</b> Justice Gray Council Discussion  Attachment 11.1 – Strategic Alignment Plan	Justice Gray will provide an update on the strategic alignment session between the Access to Justice Commission, the EJW Committee, and the EJW Foundation. She will also provide information about the recent meeting of ATJ and its next steps.  <u>Committee Members:</u> Justice Gray (chair), Judge Overfield, Judge Collier, Craig Silva, Jennifer Beeston, Walter Eggers, Devon O’Connell, Janet Montgomery, Senator Jared Olsen, Representative Joe Webb, Dona Playton, Mackenzie Williams
<b>12. Technology Committee</b> Justice Hill Council Discussion	Justice Hill will present the work of the Technology Committee since the last WJC meeting.  <u>Committee Members:</u> Justice Hill (chair), Judge Eames, Judge Forwood,

	Amanda Sanchez, Nichole Lyman
Attachment 12.1 – Draft Amendments to the FSX, FCE, and Private PASS Role Policy	Justice Hill will present the Technology Committee’s recommended amendments to the FSX, FCE, and Private PASS Role <i>Policy</i> . <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on the proposed amendments to the <i>FSX, FCE, and Private PASS Role Policy</i> .
Attachment 12.2 – How Microsoft 365 Defender Protects Judicial Branch Network  Attachment 12.3 – Handling Important/Time Sensitive Emails that Get Quarantined	Justice Hill will present the Technology Committee’s recommended approach to quarantined email messages when access is needed quickly by a Judge. <b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on the recommended approach to quarantined messages.
<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>	
<b>13. Consent List</b>	<b>DECISION POINT:</b> Discussion and action on the consent agenda recommendations.
Minor/Adult Name Changes  Attachment 13.1 – Proposed Adult Name Change Forms  Attachment 13.2 – Proposed Minor Name Change Forms	Forms Committee recommendation to approve forms.  <u>Committee Members:</u> Judge Darrah (chair), Judge Hibben, Judge Westby, Judge Collier, Pamela Merchen, Katerie Driskill, Mackenzie Williams, Erik Oblasser, Angie Dorsch
BJPA Policies  Attachment 13.3 – BJPA Policies-Recommendations	Executive Committee recommendation to repeal the BJPA policies set forth in Attachment 13.3.  <u>Committee Members:</u> Chief Justice Boomgaarden, Judge Snyder, Judge Chambers
Notification in Teams Invites  Attachment 13.4 – Teams Notification Language Recommendation	The Technology Committee recommends that a standard notification be provided in every Teams invite that recording by AI chatbots is not permissible.
<b>INFORMATION</b>	
<b>14. For the Council’s Information</b>  Attachment 14.1 – Change Log for Protection Order Forms  Attachment 14.2 – Change Log for Probate Forms	The Executive Committee approved minor changes to the Protection Order and Probate Forms.
<b>MEETING CLOSE</b>	
<b>Council Check-In</b>	
<b>For the Good of the Order</b>	

Adjourn	Chief Justice Boomgaarden
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<b>FUTURE WJB MEETING DATES:</b>	
	WJC RETREAT – Monday, March 9, 2026 @ 8 a.m. through Tuesday, March 10, 2026 @ 12 p.m.; Vee Bar Ranch, Centennial, WY
	Monday, June 8, 2026 @ a.m. to Noon in Cheyenne, WY
	Monday, September 14, 2026 @ 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Casper, WY
<b>DECISION POINT:</b>	Monday, December 14, 2026 – virtual meeting