



CIVIL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

November 18, 2016

Duke University School of Law, Room 3000
210 Science Drive, Durham, NC 27708

Minutes

Present: David Levi, Evelyn Pursley, Ed Gaskins, Osmond Smith, Rob Harrington, Anne Lloyd, Mike Mitchell, Julian Mann, Darrell Miller, Calvin Hill, George Hausen, Shiela Eley

Also Present: Amanda Lacoff, Danielle Seale, Evelyn Pursley, Will Robinson

Convened at 10:40 am

Minutes from September 30, 2016 corrected to show that Osmond Smith not present.

Minutes approved.

Rob Harrington gave a report on meeting with Judge Miller and Todd Nuncio Trial Court Administrator in Charlotte. Two concerns: first, no discussion of family court; second, no mention of trial court administration. Concern might be implying that family court should not be expanded or not valuable, or relatedly, whether in some way implying that trial court administration not valuable. Concern of Charlotte with electronic filing etc. and tracking on how it will affect family court. Sense is that trial court administration is not that as important with electronic filing and management.

It was pointed out that there is language in the report that speaks to domestic relations, family court, and court personnel.

Agreed that language in the report is not meant to imply anything with regard to family court or trial court administrators or any other group that isn't expressly contained in the report.

Mann noted that most of NC population is concentrating in urban areas.

Will Robinson noted that shift from rural to urban will be reflected in the first part of the full commission report.

Ed Gaskins raised issue of costs of implementing electronic and going to paper. Gaskins wanted to know if cost of electronic is offset by cost, proposed language to report to reflect those issues.

Committee members suggested line level edits.

Committee approved final report, with edits, unanimously.

Smith had question about process of approving the entire report. Robinson responded about the process to take place in December meeting. Jim Drennan will do minor revising for typos and punctuation.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55am.