

1 **Rule 9-108. Justice Court Standards.**

2 Intent:

3 To establish the responsibility for certifying new justice courts and recertifying
4 existing justice courts.

5 Applicability:

6 This rule shall apply to the judiciary.

7 Statement of the Rule:

8 (1) Responsibilities of the Board of Justice Court Judges. The Board shall be
9 responsible for the following:

10 (A) To recommend to the Council:

11 (i) minimum guidelines which demonstrate the need for a justice court, and which
12 take into account the population, the number of case filings, the public convenience, the
13 availability of law enforcement agencies and court support services, the proximity of
14 other courts and other factors, and

15 (ii) operational standards for statutorily required support services such as public
16 facilities, clerical support, bailiff services, prosecution and indigent defense services.

17 (B) To recommend to the Council the creation and recertification of justice courts.

18 (C) To recommend to the Council procedures for reviewing requests for waivers or
19 extensions of time to meet guidelines or standards.

20 (2) Adoption and review of standards.

21 (A) Proposed minimum guidelines for establishing the need for court and operational
22 standards shall be distributed for comment to affected agencies and organizations
23 before submission to the Council for approval.

24 (B) Operational standards shall be reviewed and updated every two years, beginning
25 in 1992.

26 (3) Publication. Guidelines for establishing the need for a court, operational
27 standards and the procedures for requesting waivers or extensions of time to meet the
28 standards shall be made available upon request.