



## **Ad Hoc Committee on High Volume Case Filings**

Hon. Charles Stormont, Chair

August 12, 2026 – Minutes

12:00 – 1:00

Hybrid: Judicial Council Room & WebEx

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### **1. Welcome**

- Judge Stormont opened the meeting.

### **2. Approval of Prior Minutes**

Meeting minutes from July 29 meeting were approved and will be posted on the court's website.

### **3. Update from S.B. 270 Steering Committee Work**

- The Steering Committee's presentation to the Policy & Planning Committee received positive feedback. Some more work will be done on the administrative rules being submitted.
- The rules for selecting the commissioner are being requested to be approved conditionally, subject to public comment. The existing rules for selecting commissioners do not fit well for a statewide court. An alternative to the proposed selection process is to use the Board of District Court Judges as the committee.
- Once the commissioner jobs are open for applications, committee members are encouraged to circulate that job posting to generate interest and a neat pool of applicants.
- The Steering Committee raised a concern that a statutory change is needed to get rid of the 10-day summons. There was discussion of how to overcome that through rulemaking. There was some discussion of the prior effort by the civil rules committee to abandon the 10-day summons. There was some discussion of getting the proposed 10-day summons replacement reviewed by the supreme court for preliminary input.

- The group discussed the needs for IT and the amount of time it will take to make changes. Beta testing and fixing things can add additional time and be difficult to calculate or plan around.
- The funds from SB 270 will need to be used by June 30, 2027.

#### **4. Procedural Rules**

- The group discussed the Complaints Plus process and whether it should be mandatory or encouraged. Quinn offered to inquire with more creditors counsel for more input and feedback.
- Samantha raised the possibility of evolving later to a data entry platform, where the data pieces are provided and then a court-generated document is the result. The group discussed that as a long-term possibility and the benefits that would create for consistency.

#### **5. Action Items**

- Next meeting is August 19. Subcommittee meetings for rule drafting will be set in the interim.