

§ 6-1210. Succession planning for problem-solving court judges.

(A) Each problem-solving court shall have a written plan setting forth the procedure for the succession of the judge or judges who serve as the problem-solving court judge in the event of the death, disability, retirement, resignation, removal, elevation to another court, or failure to be retained by the judge then serving the court. For all problem-solving courts in existence as of the date of the adoption of this rule, such succession plans shall be submitted to the Supreme Court for approval no later than May 1, 2017. For problem-solving courts implemented after the effective date of this rule, succession plans shall be included as part of the information submitted to the Supreme Court for approval of the problem-solving court under § 6-1207.

(B) Such plan shall require the successor judge so identified to receive training appropriate to the problem-solving court at the National Judicial College, under programs offered by the National Association of Drug Court Professionals, or equivalent training as approved by the Nebraska Statewide Problem-Solving Court Coordinator.

(C) The plan shall provide that the training shall take place before the commencement of service of the successor, except in the event of extraordinary circumstances, and with approval of the Supreme Court, the training requirement may be fulfilled after commencement of such service.

(D) Such succession plan shall be reviewed, amended as necessary to reflect current circumstances, and resubmitted to the Supreme Court every 3 years after May 1, 2017. The succession plan may include such other provisions as each problem-solving court shall deem necessary and appropriate for the continued operation of each court.

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