

Minutes
Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission
November 14, 2007

The Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission met on November 14, 2007 in Room 1525 of the State Capitol Building with remote locations in Omaha and Scottsbluff. Members present: McCormack, O'Neal, Brodbeck, Parker, Hoarty, Hartnett, Sipple, Bishop, Hartnett, Kuzma, Morgan, Chaloupka, Furse. Absent: Neesen, Moran, Rodgers, McQuillan, Smith.

The purpose of the hearing was the statutory annual meeting of the Commission.

The meeting was called to order by Justice McCormack

A general discussion was had concerning proposals to recommend to the Legislature that Colfax County be moved to the 6th District and that Saunders County be moved to the 3rd District. No motion was made and the matter died for lack of motion.

Sharlon Rodgers appeared.

The Commission considered the report of the NSBA's Judicial Structure and Administrative Task Force. Evidence was adduced. O'Neal moved and Parker seconded that the Commission adopt the report and the recommendations of the task force. A discussion was had and the motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded the minutes of the previous hearing be approved. The motion carried.

Sharlon Rodgers absented herself from the meeting.

Evidence was adduced regarding a request that the Commission recommend to the Legislature the creation of an additional District Judgeship in the 3rd Judicial District. Bishop moved and Hartnett seconded that the Commission recommend that the Legislature create an additional District Judgeship in the 3rd Judicial District and that if the law would change to recommend to the Supreme Court the allocation of an additional judge to the District Court of the 3rd Judicial District. The motion carried with O'Neal voting no and all others voting yes.

Evidence was adduced regarding a request that the Commission recommend to the Legislature the creation of an additional County Judgeship in the 3rd Judicial District. Bishop moved and Sipple seconded that the Commission recommend that the Legislature create an additional County Judgeship in the 3rd Judicial District and that if the law would change to recommend to the Supreme Court the allocation of an additional judge to the County Court of the 3rd Judicial District. The motion carried with McCormack, O'Neal, Furse and Hartnett voting no and all others voting yes.

Discussion was had concerning the Commission's annual meeting. The Commission considered whether (1) a new judgeship is appropriate in any judicial district or a reduction in judgeships is appropriate in any judicial district, or (2) the judicial district boundaries or the

number of judicial districts should be changed for the district or county courts. No additional motions were made with regard to the annual meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

/S/ Alan L. Brodbeck

Secretary