



**INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES  
Compliance Committee Meeting**

*Minutes*  
**April 29, 2014**  
**3:00 p.m. EDT**

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**Committee Members in Attendance:**

1. Michael Lacy (WV) Commissioner, Chair
2. Barbara Murray (AK) Commissioner
3. Summer Foxworth (CO) Commissioner
4. Alicia Ehlers (ID) Designee
5. Mark Boger (ME) Commissioner
6. Anne Connor (NV) Commissioner
7. Molli Davis (NV) Designee
8. Dale Dodd (NM) Commissioner
9. Mia Richardson-Pressley (SC) Commissioner
10. Daryl Liedecke (TX) Commissioner
11. Gloria Soja (MT) Ex-Officio
12. Rick Masters, Legal Counsel

**Committee Members Not in Attendance:**

1. Sharon Harrigfeld (ID) Commissioner
2. Jane Seigel (IN) Commissioner
3. Angela Bridgewater (LA) Commissioner
4. Nancy Allard (SD) Commissioner
5. Randall Wagner (WV) Ex-Officio

**Guests in Attendance:**

None

**National Office Staff and Legal Counsel in Attendance:**

1. Ashley Lippert, Executive Director
  2. Emma Goode, Administrative and Logistics Coordinator
  3. Jennifer Adkins, Project Manager
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**Call to Order**

- Chair Lacy called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. EDT.

**Roll Call**

- A. Lippert called the roll. Nine *voting* members were present, establishing a quorum.

## Agenda

- **M. Richardson-Pressley (SC) made a motion to approve the agenda. A. Connor (NV) seconded. The motion passed.**

## Minutes

- **M. Boger (ME) made a motion to approve the March 20, 2014 meeting minutes. S. Foxworth (CO) seconded. The motion passed.**

## Discussion

### *Illinois*

- Chair Lacy presented a letter dated March 25, 2014 addressed to Candace Jones, Director of the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice. As recommended by the Compliance Committee in their last meeting, the letter was prepared by Legal Counsel and addressed the Commission's concerns in the areas of outstanding cases, training, administrative assistance, and Commissioner Appointment. The letter requested a response within 30-days of the date of the letter noting the potential recommendation of default and further compliance action.
- A. Connor (NV) updated that she has conducted 18 hours of training with Christopher Copeland. Four hours of WebEx training and three days of onsite training are scheduled in May. Chris Belt also attended a couple of the WebEx training sessions.
- A. Lippert updated that she will meet with Candace Jones in Illinois on May 6. The onsite meeting and trainings were prompted by ICJ. Illinois communicated prior to receiving the letter of their intent to appoint Candace Jones Commissioner and Chris Belt Designee. To date, Illinois has not filled the Commissioner/Designee vacancies or submitted a formal response to the letter within the requested timeframe.
- The Compliance Committee debated finding Illinois in default for failure to submit a formal response to the letter. An acceptable responsive action plan would include details and completion dates.
- A. Connor (NV) commented that Christopher Copeland has complied with the trainings request, noting that Christopher Copeland, Chris Belt, and Candace Jones are all relatively new to ICJ.
- R. Masters suggested he attend the meeting on May 6 in Illinois with A. Lippert. The Compliance Committee agreed with the suggestion that Legal Counsel attend the meeting to articulate the sentiments of the Committee regarding their non-compliance, lack of response, and potential legal recourse.
- **S. Foxworth (CO) made a motion to authorize R. Masters, Legal Counsel, to attend the May 6 meeting in Illinois between Candace Jones and Ashley Lippert, to voice the sentiments of the Compliance Committee and request Illinois to submit an acceptable responsive action plan within 15 days of meeting. M. Boger (ME) seconded. A. Connor (NV) abstained. The motion passed.**
- A. Ehlers (ID) questioned the non-compliance penalty assessments options. R. Masters advised there to be no assessment scale at this juncture. Non-compliance matters are addressed in the ICJ Statutes and penalty recommendations are left to the discretion of the Compliance Committee.
- **A. Ehlers (ID) made a motion to recommend a penalty assessment of \$10,000 for non-compliance to Illinois should an acceptable action plan not be received within 15 days of the May 6 meeting. The motion died for a lack of a second.**

- R. Masters noted another form of monetary non-compliance penalty to hold states accountable for reimbursement of ICJ expenditures due to the default.
- **A. Ehlers (ID) made a motion to recommend a non-compliance penalty assessment to Illinois for the reimbursement expenditures for training and traveling should an acceptable action plan not be received within 15 days of the May 6 meeting. D. Dodd (NM) seconded. The motion failed by a 2-7-0 vote.**
- Chair Lacy commented that a larger assessment would reinforce the urgency and magnitude of the matter.
- **D. Liedecke (TX) made a motion to recommend a non-compliance penalty assessment of \$25,000 to Illinois for failure to comply with the ICJ Compact should Illinois fail to submit an acceptable action plan within 15 days of the May 6 visit. M. Boger (ME) seconded. The motion passed by an 8-0-1 vote.**

### Old Business

There was no old business.

### New Business

There was no new business.

### Adjourn

- The Compliance Committee will meet in May to review the findings. The National Office will poll for a date.
- **S. Foxworth (CO) made a motion to adjourn. D. Liedecke (TX) seconded. Chair Lacy adjourned the meeting by acclamation at 3:50 p.m. EDT.**