



**INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES  
Compliance Committee Meeting**

*Minutes*  
**May 7, 2015  
2:30 p.m. EDT**

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**Committee Members in Attendance:**

1. Michael Lacy (WV) Commissioner, Chair
2. Summer Foxworth (CO) Commissioner
3. Jane Seigel (IN) Commissioner
4. Angela Bridgewater (LA) Commissioner
5. Gloria Soja (MT) Designee
6. Mia Pressley (SC) Commissioner
7. Abbie Christian (NE) Ex-Officio

**Committee Members Not in Attendance:**

1. Karen King-Jones (KY) Commissioner
2. Cindy McKenzie (MT) Commissioner

**Guests in Attendance:**

1. Rick Masters, Legal Counsel
2. Amy Howell (KY)

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

1. Ashley Lippert, Executive Director
  2. Emma Goode, Administrative and Logistics Coordinator
  3. Morgan Rhodes, Training and Administrative Coordinator
  4. Jenny Adkins, Project Manager
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**Call to Order**

- Chair Lacy called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. EDT.

**Roll Call**

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

**Agenda**

- **M. Pressley (SC) made a motion to approve the agenda. S. Foxworth (CO) seconded. The motion passed.**

**Minutes**

- **S. Foxworth (CO) made a motion to approve the March 19, 2015 meeting minutes. M. Pressley (SC) seconded. The motion passed.**

## Discussion

### *Illinois Parole*

- Chair Lacy presented Illinois' letters of response to Rick Masters' letter dated April 1, 2015 and emphasized their fulfillment of the requested actions. A. Lippert confirmed that Illinois is current according to their JIDS activities, hired a full time ICJ staff position, and no new issues have been reported to the national office.
- A. Christian (NE) attested to the improved timely responses and shared that JIDS continues to be a challenge for the parole office to master.
- R. Masters advised there to be sufficient evidence of Illinois' corroborating efforts of compliance. ICJ Rules and JIDS trainings are continually offered and all member states are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity to improve proficiencies by completing training.
- The Compliance Committee discussed and agreed that Illinois' responses adequately address the default, to dismiss the penalty, and to update Illinois on the scheduled trainings.
- **S. Foxworth (CO) made a motion to recommend to the Executive Committee to accept the letters from Illinois Commissioner Jones as a cure to the default and to abate the fine. A. Bridgewater (LA) seconded. The motion passed by a 6-0-0 vote.**

### *New Jersey's Performance Measurement Report*

- Chair Lacy brought to the attention of the Compliance Committee the New Jersey Parole Performance Measurement Report. The results indicate substantial deficiencies in the supervision of cases within JIDS. A. Lippert clarified that states work in tandem in JIDS for the completion of supervision. Although the New Jersey Parole workload is minimal, the incorrect processing of forms and workflows affects other states ability to process cases and receive notifications.
- J. Seigel (IN) questioned if the New Jersey Commissioner responded to the report. A. Lippert updated on recent communications with Commissioner Brown and anticipates he will provide a written response. J. Seigel (IN) suggested deferring discussion and wait for New Jersey's response. The Compliance Committee concurred.

### *Performance Measurement Standards*

- Chair Lacy opened the floor to ideas for developing a protocol of how to handle the performance measurement standards and results in the future.
- R. Masters cautioned to the intent of performance measurement evaluations to improve proficiencies more than to enforce penalties. A. Lippert updated that the directive by the Executive Committee is to use the first year as a base line without any penalty. To date, two quarters have been completed. Of the 26 states reporting, four of the five areas evaluated proved proficient. Quarterly progress reporting is a sub-standard area for most states due to the reliance upon field staff to provide information.
- A. Lippert recommended that the Compliance Committee review the overall results after the third quarter and make a recommendation for the second year. There are 36 standards in total based on the rules of the Compact and the Executive Committee chose five to evaluate. The standards may need to be updated after the rules are modified in August.
- S. Foxworth (CO) commented that the Performance Measurement Report should be used as an educational tool for improving proficiencies rather than punitive enforcement.
- The Compliance Committee agreed to defer discussion until after the third quarter reports are complete.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **Adjourn**

- **J. Seigel (IN) made a motion to adjourn. S. Foxworth (CO) seconded. The motion passed. Chair Lacy adjourned the meeting 3:01 p.m. EDT.**