

INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR

juveniles

National Center for
Interstate
Compacts



1st Interstate Commission Meeting
Las Vegas, Nevada • December 15–17, 2008



Background & History

Development



2000

- AJCA/OJJDP
- NIC/OJJDP Survey
- Advisory Group

2001

- Advisory Group
- Drafting Team

2002

- Advisory Group
- Drafting Team
- Circulation for Comments
- Final Language Developed
- Legislative Briefing #1



What was wrong with the 1955 compact?

- States did not maintain identical language
- Three different amendments existed
- Rules were problematic for the juvenile justice system
- Lacked compliance, enforcement mechanisms and accountability
- Lacked timely and adequate exchange of information
- Lacked visibility in and among the states



Advisory Group

- **CSG partnered with OJJDP in 2000 to develop and convene an Advisory Group to review the ICJ**
 - **Advisory Group met in December 2000 in Dearborn, Michigan**
 - **Advisory Group met in February 2001 in Phoenix, Arizona**
 - **Advisory Group developed a list of recommendations for the improvement of the ICJ**
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- **Linda Harlee**, Child Welfare League of America
 - **Hunter Hurst**, National Center for Juvenile Justice
 - **Kermit Humphries**, National Institute of Corrections
 - **Larry Linke**, NIC Information Center
 - **Jim Toner**, Nat'l Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges
 - **Anne Nelsen**, Utah State Division of Youth Corrections
 - **Trudi Gregorie**, National Center for Victims of Crime
 - **Ted Sexton**, National Sheriff's Association
 - **Jim Backstrom**, National District Attorney's Association
 - **Carl Wicklund**, American Probation & Parole Association
 - **Mike Buenger**, Council of State Court Administrators
 - **Fred McDonald**, AJCA
- **Ray Wahl**, Juvenile Court Administrator, Utah
 - **Rep. Mike Lawlor**, Connecticut
 - **Andrew Braun**, Juvenile Probation Officer, Minnesota
 - **Jay Newberger**, South Dakota
 - **Michael Reddish**, AJCA
 - **Donna Bonner**, AJCA
 - **Ronald Leffler**, AJCA
 - **Don Murray**, National Association of Counties
 - **Duane Edwards**, AJCA
 - **Don Blackburn**, Compact Administrator (Adult), Utah
 - **Bernie Warner**, Council of Juvenile Corrections Admin.
 - **Clint Stinson**, National District Attorney's Association



Drafting Team

- **Drafting Team met in September 2001 in Nashville, Tennessee**
- **Drafting Team met in November 2001 in Phoenix, Arizona**
- **Drafting Team met in February 2002 (w/ Advisory Group) in Lexington, Kentucky**

- **Mike Buenger**, National Center for State Courts (COSCA)
- **Rep. Mike Lawlor**, Connecticut
- **Jay Newberger**, Compact Administrator (Retired), South Dakota
- **Michael Reddish**, AJCA
- **Cindy Pittman**, AJCA
- **Don Blackburn**, Compact Administrator, Utah
- **Stephen White**, International Assoc. Chiefs of Police
- **Ned Loughran**, Council of Juvenile Corrections Administrators
- **Newman Flanagan**, National District Attorney's Association
- **Tom O'Reilly**, Office of the Attorney General, New Jersey
- **Dennis Eshman**, ICPC
- **Sharon English**, Victims Advocate, California
- **Bill Taylor**, Legislative Counsel, Oregon
- **Pam Snodgrass**, Probation Officer, Nevada
- **Kent Bishop**, Legal Policy Consultant, Utah



Review & Comment

Circulation for Comment –

- Compact/Deputy Compact Administrators (50 states/territories)
- Council of Juvenile Court Administrators
- Agency Heads (where compact resides in each state)

FYI –

- National Conference of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
- National Juvenile Detention Association
- NACBVSA
- American Corrections Association – Juvenile Justice Committee
- State Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee's
- National Association of Attorneys General
- National Conference of State Legislatures
- American Legislative Exchange Council
- National Governors Association
- National District Attorneys Association
- American Judges Association
- National Center for State Courts
- National Public Defenders Association
- American Bar Association – Juvenile Justice Committee, Public Defenders Committee, Family Law
- National Center for Missing & Exploited Children
- Youth Law Center

A New Vision

- Establish an independent compact operating authority
- Create a national governing commission representing all member states
- Create a more formal, recognized and flexible rule-making authority
- Create meaningful compliance, enforcement and accountability measures
- Create state sanctions to support essential compact operations
- Create a funding mechanism to support essential compact operations
- Establish an electronic national data collection and sharing system
- Coordinate effectively with other interstate compacts, e.g. ICAOS and ICPC

Adoption



2003 (12)

Arizona
Connecticut
Delaware
Louisiana
Maine
Michigan
Missouri
Montana
New Mexico
North Dakota (1st to enact)
Rhode Island
Washington

2004 (10)

Alabama
Colorado
Idaho
Kansas
New Jersey
Oklahoma
Pennsylvania
South Dakota
West Virginia
Wyoming

2005 (7)

Arkansas
Florida
Kentucky
Nevada
North Carolina
Texas
Utah

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Adoption



2006 (2)

South Carolina
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2007 (2)

Maryland
Virginia

2008 (2)

Illinois
Tennessee

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Date of National Activation

Illinois – 35th state to adopt
August 26, 2008