



**INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES**  
**South Region Meeting**  
*Minutes*

January 09, 2018  
2:00 p.m. EST

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**Commissioners/Designees in Attendance:**

1. Mia Pressley (SC) Representative
2. Patrick Pendergast (AL) Designee
3. Judy Miller (AR) Designee
4. Bruce Wright (DC) Commissioner
5. Agnes Denson (FL) Commissioner
6. Avery Niles (GA) Commissioner
7. Amy Welch (KY) commissioner
8. Angela Bridgewater (LA) Commissioner
9. Julie Hawkins (MO) Commissioner
10. Traci Marchand (NC) Commissioner
11. Cathlyn Smith (TN) Commissioner
12. Daryl Liedecke (TX) Commissioner
13. Natalie Dalton (VA) Commissioner
14. Michael Lacy (WV) Commissioner
15. Randall Wagner (WV) Designee
16. Maxine Baggett (MS) Designee

**Commissioners/Designee Not in Attendance:**

1. Sherry Jones (MD) Commissioner
2. John Davis (MS) Commissioner
3. Steven Buck (OK) Commissioner
4. Robert Hendryx (OK) Designee

**Compact Staff in Attendance:**

1. Jefferson Regis (DC)
2. Jacqueline Wright (DC)
3. Tracy Bradley-Walden (FL)
4. Tracy Cassell (GA)
5. Tamara Gormley (KY)
6. Kimberly Dickerson (LA)
7. Yolanda Latimer (LA)
8. Corrie Copeland (TN)
9. Stephen D. Horton (NC)
10. Jacquelyn Moore (TN)
11. Richetta Johnson (VA)
12. Chanda LeShoure

### **National Office Staff in Attendance :**

1. MaryLee Underwood, Executive Director
2. Emma Goode, Administrative and Training Specialist
3. Jenny Adkins, Project Manager
4. Monica Gary, Administrative and Logistics Coordinator

### **Call to Order**

Representative Pressley called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. EST.

### **Roll Call**

Director Underwood called the roll and a quorum was established.

### **Agenda**

**C. Smith (TN) made a motion to approve the agenda. M. Lacy (WV) seconded. The motion passed.**

### **Minutes**

**J. Miller (AR) made a motion to approve the September 26, 2017 meeting minutes. N. Dalton (VA) seconded. The motion passed.**

### **Discussion**

#### **Executive Committee Update**

- Representative Pressley reported new National Office staff updates as follows: Monica Gary is the new Administrative and Logistic Coordinator and Emma Goode has been promoted to Administrative and Training Specialist.
- Representative Pressley reported that there were one hundred and six attendees at the Annual Business Meeting in San Diego, CA with fifty-one ICJ representatives.
- Representative Pressley noted that Advisory Opinion 02-2017 was approved and available on the ICJ website.
- Representative Pressley reported that the ICJ Transition Plan template has been approved and is available on the ICJ website. Please complete and send to region representative to be kept and sent to the National Office.
- Representative Pressley reported that the Code of Conduct policy was confirmed and due annually. Director Underwood confirmed that the Code of Conduct forms are due by January 31, 2018. J. Miller (AR) asked why are the Code of Conduct forms due every year if there's no change in personnel? Director Underwood explained that the policy was drafted and approved prior to her arrival.
- Representative Pressley reported that approved new and amended rules will go into effect March 1, 2018.
- Representative Pressley reported that the Executive Committee approved two new Ad Hoc Committees. The Special Projects Ad Hoc Committee's purpose is to make recommendations for the expenditure of special projects line items in the 2018-19 FY Budget. Also, the Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committee will report to the Training Committee who will in turn report to the Executive Committee.
- Representative Pressley reported that Trudy Gregorie will remain the Ex Officio Victims Representative.
- The East Region discussed the Unaccompanied Minor Policy with airline supervision. It was concluded that there were no further actions needed.
- The Executive Committee called a special meeting to discuss the transition of A. Connor from Nevada to Idaho.

- Nina Belli will transition from Ohio to Oregon. She will step down as Midwest Representative and Charles Frieberg from South Dakota will be the new Midwest Representative.

### State Updates

- P. Pendergast (AL) noted that the state of Alabama will now use their state credit cards to pay for supervised transfers via airline transports. He introduced Chanda Leshoure as new compact office staff.
- C. Smith (TN) reported that Quincy Hughes will no longer be in the ICJ office. The Tennessee ICJ Office has received additional funding to assist rural counties with securely detaining youth.
- Representative Pressley reported that South Carolina is working to add additional staff to the ICJ office.
- A. Welch (KY) reported that the Kentucky ICJ Office has added a new Compact Administrator Nancy Birdsong; effective January 1, 2018.

### Old Business

- Code of Conduct due January 31, 2018
- State Council Reports due January 1, 2018. Roster and meeting dates
- Trainings – report to National Office

### New Business

**J. Miller (AR) made a motion for the South Region to make a recommendation to the Executive Committee to amend the Code of Conduct Policy to say that current Commissioners and Designees would not be required to sign the Form annually if they continue in their same positions. M. Lacy (WV) seconded. The motion passed**

Director Underwood reminded the South Region that any new rules are to be submitted by mid-January 2019.

### Adjourn

- **Representative Pressley adjourned the meeting by unanimous consent at 11:31 EST.**