

## **MINUTES**

### **Public Service and Trust Commission Committee on the Utilization of Judge Trial Referees Evaluation Subcommittee**

**January 28, 2010  
9:15 AM**

The Committee on the Utilization of Judge Trial Referees, Evaluation Subcommittee, met via conference call on Thursday January 28, 2010. Staff was present at the publicly noticed location in conference room 206 at 225 Spring Street, Wethersfield.

Committee members in attendance: Hon. James W. Abrams, Hon. Marshall K. Berger, Jr., Hon. Linda K. Lager, Hon William J. Lavery, Hon. Joseph H. Pellegrino, Hon. Joseph J. Purtill, Hon. William B. Rush (chair), Hon. William L. Wollenberg

The meeting was called to order by Judge Rush at 9:17 AM

1. Judge Rush described the process of how Judge Trial Referees are presently reappointed and how judges are currently evaluated.
2. A discussion ensued regarding the work of the Judicial Performance Evaluation Program Advisory Panel and their development of a single evaluation form for all judges.
3. A discussion ensued regarding the purpose of the subcommittee. It is the intent of the subcommittee to create a consistent, fair process with objective standards that can be used by the Chief Justice to base her decisions for reappointment of Judge Trial Referees.
4. A discussion ensued regarding how best to achieve the subcommittee's goals. Several themes were raised, including developing a formalized evaluation process for Judge Trial Referees and looking into the annual recommendation process that Administrative Judges engage in.
5. The next meeting of the subcommittee will be at 9:15 AM on February 26, 2010 via conference call.

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 AM