

Minutes of the Meeting
Code of Evidence Oversight Committee of the Supreme Court
November 14, 2018

On Wednesday, November 14, 2018, the Code of Evidence Oversight Committee of the Supreme Court met in the Supreme Court courtroom from 2:02 p.m. to 3:28 p.m.

Members in attendance were:

Hon. Raheem L. Mullins, Chairperson	Attorney Robert B. Adelman
Hon. Steven D. Ecker	Attorney Joseph G. Bruckmann
Hon. Barbara B. Jongbloed	Attorney Michael Gailor
Hon. Lisa K. Morgan	Attorney Kimberly Massicotte
	Attorney Jack G. Steigelfest
	Attorney Lawrence J. Tytla
	Attorney Eric W. Wiechmann

Also participating were Professor Julia Simon-Kerr of the University of Connecticut Law School and academic advisor to the Committee, Attorney Eric Levine, Reporter of Judicial Decisions, Attorney James T. O'Connor, Counsel, Judicial Legal Services, and Attorney Lori A. Petruzzelli, Counsel to the Code of Evidence Oversight Committee of the Supreme Court.

The Honorable Eliot D. Prescott, the Honorable Michael R. Sheldon, and Attorney John R. Gulash were not in attendance at this meeting.

1. The Honorable Raheem L. Mullins called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. In opening remarks, Justice Mullins thanked the Committee for their extensive work on the 2018 edition of the Code of Evidence and acknowledged Judge Bishop's longstanding dedication and service as chair to the Committee.

2. The Committee considered a proposal by Attorney John Tower regarding the authentication of business records by certification. Justice Ecker and Attorney Adelman led the discussion.

After discussion, the Committee requested that Counsel conduct a survey of whether other states provided for authentication of business records by certification. Justice Mullins will ask the Chief Administrative Judges whether they have observed obstacles to authentication of business records through stipulations.

3. Thereafter, the Committee considered a proposal by Attorney John Tower regarding authentication of public records. Justice Ecker led the discussion.

After discussion, a subcommittee of Justice Ecker, Judge Morgan, and Attorney Massicotte was formed to further study the matter and report their recommendations to the Committee. The subcommittee requested advice from Professor Simon-Kerr.

4. The meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori A. Petruzzelli".

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