

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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ORDER

APR - 4 2019

Re: Court Services Officer Workload Study Workgroup

**DOUGLAS T. SHIMA
CLERK OF APPELLATE COURTS**

Pursuant to authority under Article 3, Section 1 of the Kansas Constitution, the Supreme Court hereby creates the Court Services Officer (CSO) Workload Study Workgroup (group).

The members of the group are charged with combining their individual knowledge and experiences to assist in analyzing the broad spectrum of work that CSOs perform across the state. The Court supports the standardization of cases processes across the state to enable workshare, to improve efficiency and effectiveness of the judicial branch, and to make the user experience consistent. The group will:

1. Review CSO work as outlined in the CSO weighted workload study report;
2. Review relevant statutory provisions regarding CSO work;
3. Draw from individual experiences and knowledge in exercising judgment but seek the best outcome for the state as a whole;
4. Develop recommendations for the Supreme Court regarding CSO tasks with a goal of ensuring consistency of services statewide;
5. Consider the impact on service, finances, and staffing and identify likely costs, benefits, and sources of funding from adoption of any recommendations proposed;
6. Consider the use of evidence-based practices in evaluating CSO work and in making recommendations;
7. Determine if any changes to statutes, supreme court rules, or supreme court orders are necessary with the adoption of recommendations; and
8. Deliver a report to the Supreme Court no later than October 2, 2019.

The following persons are hereby appointed to serve on the CSO Workload Study Workgroup:

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| Amy Raymond, Chair | Wanda Backstrom |
| Hon. Bradley Ambrosier | Laura Brewer |
| Hon. Amy Harth | Nancy Finley |
| Hon. David Ricke | Micah Larsen |
| Hon. Evelyn Wilson | Stephanie Springer |
| Anita Cash | Julie Whitney |
| Ellen House | Chris Mechler |
| Gail Antenen | |

BY ORDER OF THIS COURT this 4 day of April 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'LRN', is written over a horizontal line.

Lawton R. Nuss
Chief Justice