

BUSINESS MEETING OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass – Phoenix, Arizona
Tuesday, July 23, 2024

MINUTES

Call to Order and Welcome

Judge Gayl Branum Carr, NCJFCJ President, called to order the NCJFCJ Business Meeting of the General Membership at 12:01 p.m. PT and welcomed everyone present.

Judge Carr presented the registration of proxies, as follows: Judge Angela Fonnesebeck - Utah – 5; Judge Walter Kennon – Georgia – 12; Judge Faith Graham – Indiana – 16; Judge Rodney Thompson - New Jersey – 125.

Judge Katz announced the following appointment of Convention Officers:

- Parliamentarian – Judge John Parker
- Sergeant at Arms – Judge Stephen Rubin (Ret.)
- Tellers – Judge Maurice Portley (Ret.), Judge Kami Hart, and Judge Michael Nash (Ret.)

Judge Carr recognized Executive Committee members, Board Directors, Past Presidents, former Board Directors, Amicus Council and the NCJFCJ team. She announced that a copy of the meeting Agenda and Exhibits can be accessed online.

President's Report

Judge Carr drew attention to **Exhibit I**, a notice from the NCJFCJ Legislative Committee encouraging members to engage their legislators during the August Congressional recess.

Judge Carr presented the 2024 President's Award to Judge John Parker for his dedication, service, and support to the mission and goals of the NCJFCJ.

Treasurer's Report – Exhibit II

Judge Amanda Heath, NCJFCJ Treasurer, outlined highlights of the past year.

Membership Report – Exhibit III

Judge Kathleen Quigley, NCJFCJ Secretary, recognized new members to the NCJFCJ and the longest-term members from 1996-2005: Judge Dan Kellogg, Judge Constance Cohen, Judge D. Zeke Zeidler, Judge Karen S. Adam, Judge Michael Nash, and Judge Eugene M. Hyman.

Member Benefits Update

Judge Kathleen Quigley reported a partnership between the NCJFCJ and BetterHelp as part of the Wellness/Connection/Leadership Initiative.

Action Items

Judge Quigley brought forward **Exhibit III**, the minutes of July 18, 2023, Business Meeting of the Members. A motion was made and a second received that the minutes be approved as presented. There was no discussion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Judge Quigley brought forward **Exhibit IV**, the ceremonial resolution in appreciation of those who helped to make the 87th Annual Conference a success. A motion was made and a second received to adopt the resolution as presented. There was no discussion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

DEIJ Infographic

Joey Orduña Hastings, CEO, shared the NCJFCJ DEIJ Infographic highlighting over 20 years of commitment to DEIJ.

Nominating Committee Report

Judge Hiram Puig-Lugo presented the names of those elected to Officer positions by the NCJFCJ Board of Directors on Saturday, July 20:

Immediate Past President: Judge Gayl Branum Carr, Fairfax, VA
President: Judge Robert Hofmann, Mason, TX
President-Elect: Judge Kathleen Quigley, Tucson, AZ
Treasurer: Judge Amanda Heath, Augusta, GA
Secretary: Judge John Parker, White Falls, MT

Judge Hiram Puig-Lugo presented the slate of judicial director candidates proposed for election to a three-year term on the NCJFCJ Board of Directors. A motion was made and a second received to elect the Director candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee. There was no discussion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Swearing in of 2024-2025 Officers

Judge Carr called upon all newly elected Officers and Directors and administered the oath of office.

Recognition of \$5,000+ Lifetime Donors

Judge Carr and Joey Orduña Hastings provided an overview of the NCJFCJ's donor recognition program, which recognizes every \$5,000 donated over a lifetime with one of nine tiles. When all tiles are received, the final make up is a donor tree representing the children and families supported by the courts and communities the NCJFCJ serves with its programs and services made possible by contributions and funders.

Those receiving a tile:

Judge Ramona Gonzalez, Major Sheffield Ford, Patricia Cafferata, Esq., Judge Gayl Branum Carr, Judge Angela Foncesbeck, Judge Robert Hofmann, Judge Denise Navarre Cubbon, and Judge Katherine Tennyson.

Recognition of Outgoing President

Judge Hofmann thanked Judge Carr for her term as 2023-2024 NCJFCJ President and presented her with the Past President's plaque and the Past President's pin. Judge Carr thanked those who assisted her during her presidential year.

Other Business

Judge Carr announced that the 2025 Annual Conference will be held July 20-23, 2025 in Chicago, Illinois, and the Business Meeting of the Members will be on Tuesday, July 22, 2025.

Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Judge Carr encouraged all Members to participate in the evening Installation and Awards event where Judge Robert Hofmann will take the oath of office as President of the NCJFCJ, and the Justice Innovation Awards – Innovator of the Year and Impact of the Year – will be presented.

There being no other business, at 12:46 p.m. PT a motion was made and a second received that the meeting be adjourned. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,
Judge Kathleen Quigley
NCJFCJ Secretary 2023-2024

All exhibits referred to in these minutes were distributed to members and posted prior to the meeting at: www.ncjfcj.org/membership-meeting. They are on file in the Reno Headquarters Office and are available upon request. All reports referred to in these minutes are incorporated herein by reference.