United States District Court, Northern District of Iowa Federal Practice Committee Meeting Minutes May 3, 2023 – Noon

Meeting was held in the 5th floor conference room in the Cedar Rapids Courthouse and via phone conference

Attendees: Jeana Goosman, Chair, Paul De Young, Misti Michel, Ashley Corkery, Shelby Mars, Brad Price, Pat Parry, Ethan Olson, Alison Guernsey, Emma Barden, Cathy May

1. Introductions

No new members to introduce

2. Motion to approve November 2, 2022 meeting minutes

Motion to approve meeting minutes from November 22, 2022 was made and approved.

3. Eighth Circuit Judicial Conference July 12-14, 2023 at the Radisson Blu Mall of America in Bloomington, Minnesota

Ethan Olson is on the planning committee and stated there is a great lineup for this conference. Plenary and breakout sessions will address the rules of evidence, deradicalization, and jury panels related to jury selection. Ethan and Paul De Young are planning on attending, and anyone who is able is also encouraged to attend. Registration is open. The location for 2024 is not yet known.

4. POWER Act CLE July 7, 2023 at 2:30 pm. Event will be held in the Cedar Rapids Jury Assembly Room, and it will be available online. Current participants/contacts include Judge Williams, Chief Judge Jessica Bear, Joy Mauskemo, who is the Clerk of Court for the Meskwaki Tribal Court, Gea Aitkens, who is a Meskwaki Probation Officer with the Meskwaki Tribal Court.

Paul De Young and Judge Williams have been addressing the POWER Act CLE. Jourdan Reynolds with RISE, who will also be participating. Iowa Legal Aid and the Meskwaki Tribal Court have been coordinating clinics regarding pro bono work. Panel is organized and content will be finalized in next month. Please share information regarding this CLE with colleagues. Attendance at the previous free CLE event was around 280 people, and attendance at this event is expected to be similar. Online participation has helped to boost attendance.

5. Other business

If committee members could start thinking about CLE topics that would be helpful for the Federal Practice Seminar and/or an event in the Spring, that would be appreciated. Reach out to Jeana Goosman or Paul De Young if you wish to share ideas before the next meeting in November. Additionally, Ethan mentioned that the ISBA is interested in partnering with the committee for CLEs as well.

6. Next meeting

November 1, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.