

SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

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No. 18-02

In the matter of the petition to amend Supreme Court Rule Chapter 60, Appendix Section A.(2), Regarding Administration of the Judicial Conduct Advisory Committee

FILED**JUN 18, 2018**

Sheila T. Reiff
Clerk of Supreme Court
Madison, WI

On March 21, 2018, the Honorable D. Todd Ehlers, Door County Circuit Court, in his capacity as Chair of the Judicial Conduct Advisory Committee (JCAC), filed this rule petition asking the court to amend Supreme Court Rule (SCR) Chapter 60, Appendix A.(2) to facilitate the JCAC's performance of its duties. The petition proposes creation of the position of vice chair, to be appointed by the court, to assume the chair's responsibilities in the event the chair of the JCAC is unavailable. The Legislative Reference Bureau offered some technical suggestions, which the petitioner accepted.

The court discussed this matter at a closed rules conference on April 12, 2018 and voted to solicit written comments on the petition and reserved the right to schedule a public hearing. Letters were sent to the interested persons on May 1, 2018. No comments were received.

The court further discussed the petition at a closed rules conference on June 15, 2018 and, after discussion, the court concluded that no public hearing was needed and voted to adopt the petition. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that, effective the date of this order, Supreme Court Rule 60, Appendix A.(3) is amended to read:

(3) The committee shall be administered under the direction of a chair appointed by the supreme court. The supreme court shall also appoint a vice chair who shall assume the responsibilities of the chair in the event the chair is unable to act for a period longer than five business days. The chair and vice chair shall each serve for a term of one year and may serve not more than two successive terms. Staff of the director of state courts office shall be available to answer inquiries concerning committee procedures, to receive and process requests for a—formal advisory opinions, to maintain committee records, and to provide other staff assistance as appropriate.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice of the above amendments be given by a single publication of a copy of this order in the official publications designated in SCR 80.01, including the official publishers' online databases, and on the Wisconsin court system's web site. The State Bar of Wisconsin shall provide notice of this order.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 18th day of June, 2018.

BY THE COURT:

Sheila T. Reiff
Clerk of Supreme Court

