

SUPREME COURT AGENDA

Monday, September 29, 2014

9:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Open Rules Petition Conference
Supreme Court Hearing Room

1:30, 2:30 & 3:30 p.m.: Bar Exam Admissions

Public Hearing

- I. Rule Petition 13-16: Petition to Amend Wis. Stat. § 887.24 Relating to Foreign Depositions and Discovery.

Open Rules Petition Conference Matters

- I. Discussion of Rule Petition 13-16: Petition to Amend Wis. Stat. § 887.24 Relating to Foreign Depositions and Discovery. **Staff memo to be circulated.**
- II. Discussion of Rule Petition 14-01: Creation of 809.86 (Crime Victim Privacy) filed 01/21/14 by April Southwick on behalf of the Wisconsin Judicial Council. Preliminary Memo circulated 5/16/14. Court discussed at 6/25/14 rules conf: voted to hold public hearing (9/22/14). Notice of public hearing issued 7/3/14. Letter soliciting public comment sent 8/5/14; letter to petitioner seeking additional information sent 8/5/14. Petitioner filed response 9/2/14. DOJ filed comments 9/2/14. State Bar filed comments 9/8/14. WCASA filed comments 9/19/14. **Public hearing held 9/22/14; court discussed in open conference 9/22/14; update by Julie Rich.**
- III. Rule Petition 14-02: Proposed Amendment/Dissolution of Wisconsin Statute § 801.54 Discretionary Transfer of Civil Actions to Tribal Court [14-02] filed 07/24/14 by Nona Danforth and five other petitioners. **Preliminary Memo circulated 9/15/14.**
- IV. Rule Petition 12-07: Petition to amend SCRs 70.03 and 70.12(1)(c)3 relating to creation of a Finance Committee. **Court discussed on 2/5/14, voting 6:1 to adopt amended petition, as drafted (SSA abstaining and intending to write). Draft order circulated (approvals received from PDR, AKZ, MJG).**
- V. Rule Petition 12-09: Petition to create Rules under Supreme Court Rules Ch. 80 and amend Supreme Court Rule 98.07, Publication of Rules filed by Publication Committee on 9/7/12. Preliminary memo circulated 9/17/12. Court discussed at 9/25/12 rules conf. Court voted to schedule public hearing. Notice of public hearing issued 10/11/12; public input solicited 11/16/12; staff hearing memo circulated 1/10/13; public hearing held 1/15/13; petition granted (4 to 3); **draft order circulated 1/29/13 (rec'd approvals from SSA, AWB, NPC – PDR held order 2/4/13).**

Information Items—Not to be discussed

A. Rules Petition 12-11 and 13-17 relating to Judicial Code Review Committee.

Rule Petition 12-11: Petition to create a Judicial Code Review Committee, filed 12/27/12 by Chief Justice Abrahamson. Preliminary memo circulated 1/10/13. Court started discussion at 1/22/13 rules conference. DOJ filed comment 2/7/13; Wis. Trial Judges Ass'n filed comment 2/15/13; Judicial Comm'n filed comment 2/22/13. Court discussed at 2/28/13 rules conf.: DTP wants side-by-side comparison of ABA Model Rule vs. Wisconsin rule. Commissioner Julie Rich to comment on court's 2/28/13 discussion. JR e-mail to court 3/20/13. Court discussed at 4/12/13 open conf. JR to compile side-by-side comparison of Wis. code vs. 2007 ABA code, as revised, with assistance of a summer intern. **Staff memo and supporting materials sent to court 11/25/13; Court discussed matter at 12/6/13 rules conference. Question raised whether matter is proper subject of a rules conference; matter on hold pending Chief Justice's filing of rule matter.** See pending matter 13-17.

Rule Petition 13-17: In re Matter of the creation of Supreme Court Rules 60.001, 60.002, and 60.003 relating to a Judicial Code Review Committee filed 12/09/13 by Chief Justice Abrahamson. See pending matter 12-11. **Preliminary Memo circulated 2/20/14.**

B. Rule Petition 13-04: Petition to amend rules relating to Referees in the Lawyer Regulation System filed 5/22/13 by State Bar, Board of Administrative Oversight, and the OLR. Preliminary Memo circulated 6/5/13. Court discussed at 6/11/13 open rules conf.: Court voted to schedule public hearing. JR to draft letter requesting additional information from petitioners. Notice of public hearing issued 8/1/13 (public hearing: 10/25/13); letter soliciting public comment sent 8/5/13 (comments due 9/30/13); letter to petitioners seeking additional information sent 8/5/13 (response due 9/30/13). **Public hearing held 10/25/13; court voted unanimously to deny petition. Discussion of SSA's suggestion of comprehensive review of OLR began but not completed. PDR asserted that the question of an OLR review was not appropriate for discussion because it was not the subject of a present rule petition and had not been pre-approved for discussion on the court's open rules conference agenda. In the interest of efficiency, the court moved on to petition 13-05 without resolving the status of an OLR review. SSA will move to reconsider the denial of 13-04 if needed to consider comprehensive OLR review as integral to petition for referees.**

C. Rule Petitions 08-17 and 13-15 relating to Access to Justice and court-appointed counsel.

Rule Petition 08-17 (Establishment of Access to Justice Commission). Discuss scheduled court review of Access to Justice Commission. **Staff memo circulated 10/22/13; discussed 12/6/13. Court to review ATJ Commission later in 2014 with pending rule petition 13-15.**

Rule Petition 13-15: Petition to Establish Pilot Project and Create Rule Governing Appointment of Counsel in Civil Cases. **Preliminary Memo distributed 10/22/13. Court discussed at 12/6/13 open conf.; court voted to hold petition and consider with review of the ATJ Commission (08-17). Matter to be scheduled later in 2014 or 2015.**

- D. Rule Petition 09-07: In the Matter of: The Petition of the State Bar of Wisconsin to Modify Chapter 72 of the Supreme Court Rules (“Expunction”) filed 06/30/09 by Diane S. Diel, President, State Bar of Wisconsin. Amended petition filed 10/27/09 by Douglas W. Kammer, President, State Bar of Wisconsin. **Pending before Legislative Committee of Judicial Conference.**
- E. Rule Petition 12-01: Report on Court’s Rule Making Function (Report and Recommendation of the Wisconsin Supreme Court Advisory Committee on Rule Procedures submitted to the Supreme Court in May 2011 regarding the court’s rule making function). Public hearing held: 3/5/12; held by PDR, April 2012; PDR filed draft rule proposal 11/28/12; Court discussed at rules conf. on 1/22/13; PDR filed red-lined (track changes) copy of draft rule proposal on 1/23/13; SSA draft letter to interested parties circulated to court 2/5/13. Court discussed at rules conf. on 2/28/13; on vote of 4 to 3 court approved concept of a calendar cycle proposed by PDR; letter to interested parties to be re-drafted. JR revised and circulated letter to interested parties on 4/3/13. PDR submitted revised version of letter to court at open conf. Court discussed at 4/12/13 (SSA holds letter) and 6/11/13 open rules conf. Letter to interested parties sent 6/21/13; responses due 8/16/13 (Judicial Council was granted extension to file any response until after its next meeting in September). PDR filed amendment on 8/2/13. State Bar filed comments 9/19/13. **Letter soliciting comment from Rules Advisory Committee sent 9/24/13 (response due 11/18/13). SSA filed Comment 1 and Comment 2 10/2/13; Staff memo to follow.**
- F. Rule Petition 12-08: Petition to Create SCR 74.02, Appointment of the Judicial Commission Members, filed by Chief Justice Shirley S. Abrahamson on 7/31/12. Preliminary memo circulated 9/17/12. Court discussed at 9/19/12 and 9/25/12 rules confs. Court voted, 4 to 3, not to hold public hearing and to deny petition. **Draft denial order circulated 10/15/12; approvals received at 10/31/12 rules conf.; SSA holding order.**
- G. DTP’s memorandum on Justice on Wheels. Court agreed to place this item on rules administrative conference. Memo from Amanda Todd circulated 10/22/12 for discussion at 10/31/12 rules conference. **SSA e-mail 12/7/12 to court and Amanda Todd re: further outreach proposals.**