PIERCE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT EMERGENCY RULE

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE 7

LARLJ 7 – STANDING COMMITTEES

(a) Establishment. Pursuant to GR29(f)(7), the following standing committees of the Pierce County District Court are created:

(1) Pierce County Judicial Committee

1.1 The Pierce County Judicial Committee shall consist of the judges who serve in the county departments for Pierce County District Court

1.2 Purpose: The committee is charged with the operation of the county departments of the Pierce County District Court which includes the choice, implementation and maintenance of a case management system for the county departments for Pierce County District Court.

1.3 The Chair of the Committee shall be the Pierce County District Court Presiding Judge with duties as set forth in GR 29(e)and(f). The Acting Chair of this committee shall be the Assistant Presiding Judge.

(2) Municipal Court of Tacoma Judicial Committee

2.1 The Municipal Court Judicial Committee shall consist of the judges who serve full-time in the Municipal Court of Tacoma.

2.2 Purpose: The committee is charged with the operation of the Municipal Court of Tacoma departments of Pierce County District Court.

2.3 Elections: The Chair of the Municipal Court of Tacoma Judicial Committee shall be elected by majority of this committee and designated as "Committee Chair". An Acting Chair of this committee shall also be elected by majority of this committee to serve in the absence or on request of the Chair.

2.4 Responsibilities of the Chair: The Pierce County District Court Presiding Judge delegates to the Committee Chair the authority to manage and supervise the daily operation and administration of the Municipal Court of Tacoma, this includes the choice, implementation and maintenance of a case management system for the Municipal Court of Tacoma. The Committee Chair is to report or confer with the Pierce County District Court Presiding Judge no less than monthly.

(b) Delegation. The delegation of judicial district duties to standing committees and the performance of those duties by judicial officers is subject to supervision by the Pierce County District Court Presiding Judge as provided by GR 29, except as otherwise authorized by law.

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