

**MINUTES OF THE  
JUDICIAL RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Monday, June 13, 2005 – 3:00 p.m. – Room W020 House Building

**Members Present:**

Sen. Gregory S. Bell, Senate Chair  
Rep. LaVar Christensen, House Chair  
Sen. David L. Thomas  
Rep. Ross I. Romero

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Jerry D. Howe, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Esther D. Chelsea-McCarty, Associate General Counsel  
Ms. Cassandra Bauman, Legislative Secretary

**Members Absent:**

Sen. Gene Davis  
Rep. Scott L Wyatt

**Note:** A list of others present and a copy of related materials can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov) or by contacting the committee secretary, Cassandra Bauman, at 538-1032. A recording of the meeting is available from the committee secretary.

**1. Committee Business**

Chair Christensen called the meeting to order at 3:11 p.m. Sen. Davis and Rep. Wyatt were excused from the meeting.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2002 and the December 30, 2003 meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

**2. Review Proposed Amendments to Utah Court Rules**

Committee members reviewed proposed rules.

Mr. Richard Schwermer, Assistant Court Administrator, Ms. Matty Branch, Appellate Court Executive, and Mr. Tim Shea, Senior Staff Attorney, Administrative Office of the Courts, responded to questions from the Committee.

Ms. M. Gay Taylor, General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, and Mr. Roger Tew, Utah League of Cities and Towns and Utah Association of Counties, explained specific difficulties that the proposed rules create for public attorneys.

**MOTION:** Sen. Thomas moved that the chairs draft a letter to the Judicial Council commenting on the concerns of the Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

**3. Other Items / Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Sen. Thomas moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Christensen adjourned the meeting at 5:28 p.m.