



**STATE OF WISCONSIN – JUDICIAL COUNCIL**

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**AMENDED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
WISCONSIN JUDICIAL COUNCIL  
MADISON, WISCONSIN  
June 23, 2023**

The Judicial Council met at 9:30 a.m. on June 23, 2023 in the Senate Parlor at the Capitol.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair William Gleisner; Justice Brian Hagedorn; Judge Hannah Dugan; Judge Eugene Gasiorkiewicz; Judge Scott Needham; Judge Kristine Snow; Representative Ron Tusler by Kathryn Heitman; Senator Van Wanggaard; Sarah Barber; Karley Downing; Margo Kirchner; Professor Lanny Glinberg; John Orton; Adam Plotkin; Nick Zales; and newly elected member, Saveon Grenell.

**EXCUSED MEMBERS:** Judge Thomas Hruz; Steven Kilpatrick; Molly McNab; Ron Tusler; Tom Shriner; and Sarah Zylstra.

**DISTINGUISHED GUESTS:** Chief Justice Annette Ziegler; Justice Ann Walsh Bradley; Justice Rebecca Dallet; Justice Brian Hagedorn; Justice Jill Karofsky; Court of Appeals Judge Brian Blanchard; former Court of Appeals Judge Michael Fitzpatrick; Director of State Courts Judge Randy Koschnick; Lynne Davis (State Bar); Devin Martin (State Bar); Cale Battles (State Bar); and the following were also present: WAJ President Allan Foeckler; Distinguished WAJ Member Daniel Rottier; WAJ Staff Jim Rogers; WAJ Staff Bryan Roessler; Tom Bertz, Jr.; Jill Bertz; Juianna Bertz; Greg Cook; and Kelly Giemza.

**COUNCIL STAFF:** A special thanks to the staff from Greg Cook Law Offices, Sam Morgan and Alina Ziebell, who served as Council Staff on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June.

A social meeting was conducted for just under two hours. During the Social Meeting, there was an awards ceremony. Two Awards were presented to the family of the late Tom Bertz, who served on the Judicial Council for over ten years, and was Chair of the Council for over seven years. An Award was also presented to our beloved Vice Chair, John Orton, who served on the Judicial Council for over seven years and served as Vice Chair since 2018. Mr. Orton's excellent service to the Citizens of Wisconsin will be sorely missed.

A business meeting was thereafter held and the following business was transacted. First, the minutes of the May 19, 2023 were approved. Second, the Council heard from the Council's 2023 Nominating Committee consisting of Judges Dugan, Gasiorkiewicz, Hruz,

Needham and Snow. Chair of the Nominating Committee, Judge Gasiorkiewicz, reported that the Committee had nominated Bill Gleisner for Chair and Margo Kirchner as Vice Chair. Hearing no nominations from the Floor, the Council voted unanimously to re-elect William Gleisner as Chair of the Council and to elect for a first term Margo Kirchner as Vice Chair of the Council.

There was further discussion regarding meetings for 2023 to 2024. The 2023/2024 Calendar is as follows:

**2022-2023 Calendar:** The following in-person Council meetings will take place on the third Friday of each month, except December, April, July and August. The June meeting will take place on the fourth Friday of that month, so as to avoid any conflict with State Bar meetings taking place in June. Accordingly, the following are the dates for in-person meetings of the Council (**which will all take place beginning at 9:30 a.m. on the following dates in Room 328NW of the State Capitol**):

September 15, 2023  
October 20, 2023  
November 17, 2023

January 19, 2024  
February 16, 2024  
March 15, 2024

May 17, 2024  
June 28, 2024

The business meeting concluded just before noon.

Minutes prepared by Attorney Gleisner