



Wyoming Judicial Branch

Use of Retired Judges Policy (V3)

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I. PURPOSE

This policy establishes the procedure for requesting the temporary assignment of retired State of Wyoming judges.

II. APPLICATION

This policy applies to all judicial officers of the Wyoming Judicial Branch.

III. REQUIREMENTS

A. Requests shall be made pursuant to Wyo. Stat. Ann. §§5-1-106(f) and 5-9-119(d):

- 1.** A retired judge may be assigned to address a(n):
 - a.** Temporary absence of the sitting judge for illness, family emergency;
 - b.** Reasonable personal leave; or
 - c.** Overburdened docket of a court, an extraordinary case, or an extended trial that will disrupt the docket of the court.

B. The requesting judge shall ensure that the retired judge has all necessary support, including JA, staff attorney, court reporter, courtroom and workspace (with access), lodging, etc.

C. IT will provide necessary access to electronic data.

IV. PROCEDURE

- A. The judge requesting assistance, or the person requesting assistance on the judge's behalf, shall submit the request to the Executive Committee of the Wyoming Judicial Council, stating:
 - 1. The reason for the request;
 - 2. The case or time period requested; and
 - 3. Other unique factors.
- B. The Executive Committee, or the Chief Justice in the case of an emergency, will review the request using several factors, including but not limited to:
 - 1. The reason for the request;
 - 2. The court's available resources; and
 - 3. The availability of retired judges and funds to compensate them.

Approved By:

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