

WYOMING COURT
SECURITY COMMISSION
ANNUAL REPORT



SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

Supreme Court of Wyoming
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

JOHN G. FENN
JUSTICE



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September 1, 2026

TO: Chief Justice Lynne Boomgaarden
Governor Mark Gordon
Joint Judiciary Interim Committee Members
Joint Appropriations Interim Committee Members

SUBJECT: Annual Report from the Court Security Commission as required by
Wyoming Court Security Act, W.S. § 5-11-101 et seq.

On behalf of the Court Security Commission, I am pleased to present its 2026 Annual Report. This past year, the Commission has continued to fulfill its statutory endeavor to protect life, property and the judicial process in the Wyoming court system.

In a coordinated effort with the National Center for State Courts and the Wyoming Supreme Court, the Commission completed security assessments in nine counties across Wyoming (Big Horn, Johnson, Park, Campbell, Weston, Sheridan, Crook, Hot Springs, and Washakie). The 68th Legislature appropriated three million two hundred eighty-four thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$3,284,820) for court security improvements in those nine counties (Enrolled Act No. 27). On June 8, 2026, the Wyoming Judicial Council approved an Implementation Plan that details how the nine counties apply for and receive funds, and the Wyoming Supreme Court will oversee that process.

Wyoming Court Security Standard 2014-1 tasks local officials with reporting court security issues to the Commission and their local management committees. Attached is an incident report that discusses security incidents over the past year.

The Commission is focused on promoting safe and secure courthouses for our public officials and the citizens who frequent them. We are committed to our important work and stand ready to answer any questions that may arise.

Sincerely,

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John G. Fenn
Justice

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Wyoming Court Security Commission

Authority W.S. 5-11-101

Number of Board Members: 10

Board Term Length: 3 Years

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ENROLLED ACT NO. 27, SENATE

SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2026 BUDGET SESSION

matching funds in the ratio of one dollar (\$1.00) of project funds to not less than one dollar (\$1.00) of matching funds from any nonstate source;

(viii) Approval and allocation of any project under this section shall include a repayment provision if the project cannot be completed by June 30, 2030;

(ix) No contract shall be made without the written opinion of the attorney general certifying the legality of the transaction and all documents connected therewith;

(x) The governor shall approve the project contract only upon a determination that the project will result in a substantial benefit to the public.

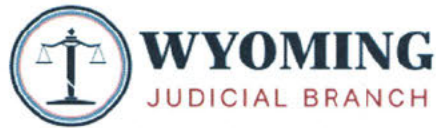
[COURT SECURITY GRANTS]

Section 321. There is appropriated three million two hundred eighty-four thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$3,284,820.00) from the general fund to the supreme court to be matched by a total of three hundred sixty-four thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$364,980.00) of local matching funds to provide funding for court security improvements. Funds shall only be expended upon recommendation by the Wyoming court security commission for direct purchase by the state or grants to counties for security equipment within courthouses or the construction or modification of facilities containing a state court. It is the intent of the legislature that this appropriation not be included in the standard budget of the judicial branch for the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium. This appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose. Any unawarded, unexpended or unobligated funds remaining from the appropriation in this section shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2028.

[ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER PROJECT ACCOUNT]

Section 322. In accordance with W.S. 9-4-214(a) and 9-4-217(d), the state auditor shall continue the rocky mountain power project account created under 2022 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 51, Section 322 and continued under 2024 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 118, Section 322. All funds within the account shall be invested by the state treasurer, and all investment earnings from the account shall be credited to the account. Any funds deposited to this account shall be continuously appropriated to the Wyoming wildlife and natural resource trust account board to provide oversight and distribute funds in accordance with the United States bureau of land management stipulations for this funding.

[UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION LOAN]



AOC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Project Title: Court Security Grants

Project Lead(s): Claire Smith

Division(s) Involved: Fiscal

Date Approved:

1. PROJECT OVERVIEW

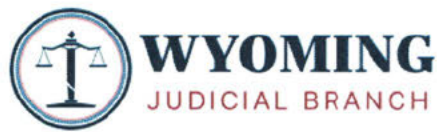
In 2024, the Wyoming Judicial Branch (WJB) contracted with the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) to perform court security assessments in eleven (11) courthouses along the northern border of Wyoming, including in the following locations:

- Sundance, Crook County
- Newcastle, Weston County
- Gillette, Campbell County
- Buffalo, Johnson County
- Sheridan, Sheridan County
- Lovell, Big Horn County
- Basin, Big Horn County
- Worland, Washakie County
- Thermopolis, Hot Springs County
- Cody, Park County
- Powell, Park County

The NCSC visited each of the locations in 2024 and 2025 to tour the facilities. In addition, the NCSC met with local stakeholders in each county to discuss security issues and concerns. Following the site visits, the NCSC provided a report which included specific recommendations for each location. The total cost of the proposed recommendations amounted to \$3,649,800.

Consultation with the Wyoming Judicial Council and the Court Security Commission regarding the NCSC recommendations preceding the 2026 legislative session resulted in a funding request directed to the Legislature to appropriate money for





the purposes of strengthening courthouse security in the state. The Legislature approved an appropriation of \$3,284,820 to the Wyoming Supreme Court for the purpose of granting funds to the assessed locations for improvement of court security.

This initiative aligns with the Judicial Branch Strategic Plan (FY 2025–2028); Pillar 1: Judicial Branch Excellence and Innovation; Goal 3: Foster a quality workplace; Objective 3(c): Work with counties to implement security assessment recommendations where feasible and evaluate additional assessments in other locations.

The purpose of this Implementation Plan is to set forth the process of granting out funding to local counties in accordance with the appropriation.

2. GOALS & OBJECTIVES

The goal of this project is to develop a process to provide grant funding to counties to improve court security in Wyoming courthouses.

3. SCOPE

- A. **IN SCOPE:** Includes the process and tasks associated with granting funding to local counties, including county application procedures, the Branch's evaluation and award determination, and the disbursement of grant funds to counties.
- B. **OUT OF SCOPE:** The installation of court security equipment or devices in the courthouses. Installation and maintenance will be administered by each individual county.

4. PROJECT TIMELINES & PRIORITIES

The table below outlines the activities associated with the initial grant process.

Milestone/Deliverable	Date/Window	Owner
Court Security Commission Meeting - Detail process for grant funding; - Provide information to counties regarding expectations; and - Approve funding amounts per county.	May 2026	Court Security Commission





WYOMING
JUDICIAL BRANCH

Distribute/advertise grant application materials to eligible county stakeholders. (Attachment A)	May – June, 2026	Fiscal
Receive completed grant materials from counties.	August 31, 2026	Fiscal
Convene a working group to review grant applications. Proposed members include: - Court Security Commission Chair; - Court Security Commission staff; - Security Operations Manager; - State Court Administrator; and - Chief Fiscal Officer. A member of the AOC Technology Division may also be invited on a case-by-case basis if technology expertise is needed.	No later than September 11, 2026	AOC
Send grant award letters to applicants.	No later than September 21, 2026	Fiscal
County submission of invoices for payment using the Grant Reimbursement Request Form (Attachment B).	Ongoing	Grantee/Fiscal
Management of payments and tracking of balances.	Ongoing	Fiscal
The working group will review unspent grant funds appropriated to the Wyoming Supreme Court and provide a recommendation to the Wyoming Judicial Council on future spending, if necessary.	February 2027	Working Group



5. STAKEHOLDERS & ROLES

Name/Group	Responsibility
Court Security Commission	Provide information to counties regarding the grant process. Recommend funding amounts per county.
Local Court Security Committees	Provide input and information to counties regarding grant requests.
Counties	Apply for grants to improve court security. Submit invoices if awarded grants to reimburse payment. Fund ten percent (10%) of all eligible court security improvements.
Working Group	Consider and act on grant requests.
AOC Staff	Provide information and support to the Court Security Commission and the working group, and distribute grant funds in accordance with the legislative appropriation and grant awards.

6. COMMUNICATION PLAN

Communication regarding the grant process and materials will be provided through the Court Security Commission members and AOC staff. Additional communication will be provided via email to eligible counties concerning current and future grant opportunities.

7. POST-GRANT AWARD PROCESS & SUCCESS MEASURES

A. POST-GRANT AWARD PROCESS

Upon a grant award, counties will pay the initial expenses associated with the security improvement. The costs will then be reimbursed in accordance with the grant award, less the ten percent (10%) contribution from the counties. To receive reimbursement, grantees must complete the Grant Reimbursement Request Form ([Attachment B](#)).

B. SUCCESS MEASURES



Metric	Target/Measure of Success	Data Source	Owner
Implementation or construction of court security improvements.	Realization of court security improvements in locations where grants are received.	Internal review of grant requests and reimbursement requests.	Counties/Working Group/Court Security Commission

8. PROJECT APPROVAL

The above implementation plan was approved by WJC on June 8, 2026.



APPLICATION FOR COURT SECURITY FUNDS

During the 2026 Budget Session, the Wyoming Legislature appropriated monies for court security improvements:

Section 325. There is appropriated three million two hundred eighty-four thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$3,284,820.00) from the general fund to the supreme court to be matched by a total of three hundred sixty-four thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$364,980.00) of local (cash) matching funds to provide funding for court security improvements. Funds shall only be expended upon recommendation by the Wyoming court security commission for direct purchase by the state or grants to counties for security equipment within courthouses or the construction or modification of facilities containing a state court. It is the intent of the legislature that this appropriation not be included in the standard budget of the judicial branch for the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium. This appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose. Any unawarded, unexpended or unobligated funds remaining from the appropriation in this section shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2028.

Based on the Courthouse Security Assessments conducted by the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) in 2025, the following nine (9) Wyoming counties are eligible to submit an application for the grant monies that were appropriated in the 2026 Wyoming Legislative Session through SF0001: Big Horn (two locations), Campbell, Crook, Hot Springs, Johnson, Park (two locations), Sheridan, Washakie, and Weston.

COURT SECURITY CHECKLIST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS:

- ☐ One (1) original application, including all attachments
- ☐ Detailed project cost estimate, including a breakdown of security expenditures broken out by A, B or C categories outlined in the National Center for State Court Assessment
- ☐ Estimated project schedule that includes design, commencement of construction and completion of construction

Application for Court Security Funds

APPLICATION FOR COURT SECURITY FUNDS

GRANT FUNDS REQUESTED: _____

PROPOSED COUNTY MATCH: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

County (Grantee): _____

Chair, County Commissioners: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone No.: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Fax No.: _____

Project Director: _____

Title: _____

Phone No.: _____

E-mail address: _____

Fax No.: _____

Financial Director: _____

Phone No.: _____

E-mail address: _____

Fax No.: _____

I.D. Number (EIN): _____

Application for Court Security Funds

APPLICATION FOR COURT SECURITY FUNDS

PROJECT NARRATIVE

Provide a detailed summary of the project and security improvements to be accomplished, including an estimated timeframe for project completion:

[illegible]

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

Application for Court Security Funds

APPLICATION FOR COURT SECURITY FUNDS

COST ESTIMATES BASED ON NCSC CATEGORIES (A, B OR C)

Category A: Items that can be implemented relatively quickly with little or no cost.

Items to be purchased:

Cost Estimate (Attach documentation)

Category B: Items that will entail a moderate amount of cost and time to implement.

Items to be purchased:

Cost Estimate (Attach documentation)

Category C: Items that will require a more significant amount of cost and time to Implement.

Items to be purchased:

Cost Estimate (Attach documentation)

Application for Court Security Funds

APPLICATION FOR COURT SECURITY FUNDS

List any items mentioned in the NCSC Assessment that you are not addressing, and explain why you are excluding them:

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List any security improvements that you are planning to implement, that are not specifically discussed in the assessment:

[illegible]

APPLICATION FOR COURT SECURITY FUNDS

WYOMING COURT SECURITY STANDARD 2010-1

Describe how the proposed court security improvements align with Wyoming Court Security Commission Equipment Standard 2010-1

<https://www.wyocourts.gov/app/uploads/2025/03/Standard-2010-1.pdf>:

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Application for Court Security Funds

APPLICATION FOR COURT SECURITY FUNDS

On behalf of the applicant, I certify that I am the Chair of the _____ County Commissioners, State of Wyoming, I am authorized to sign this application on behalf of our governing body, and the applicant will comply with all appropriate requirements, if approved. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information in this application is true and correct. I understand the Wyoming Supreme Court and the Wyoming Court Security Commission may review any relevant documents or instruments relating to the analysis of this application.

SIGNATURE

NAME

DATE

Please submit applications no later than August 31 to:

Claire Smith
Wyoming Supreme Court
2301 Capitol Avenue
Cheyenne, WY 82002
307-777-7590

Application for Court Security Funds



Reimbursements will NOT be processed without the following:
1. Contractor shall submit supporting invoices for all expenses to be paid with grant funding during the quarter.
2. Copies of paid vouchers that the County issued for payment of the invoice(s). (Purchase Orders are not acceptable proof of payment.)

County Name:	
Full Mailing Address:	
Date of Request:	

List of Reimbursable Project Costs	Instructions: Complete the information requested. Under the "%" column for Contractor, enter your awarded percentage of the project costs.						
Vendor Name	Description of equipment purchased/services rendered	Invoice No.	Amount	CONTRACTOR (COUNTY)		GRANTOR (WY SUPREME COURT)	
				%	\$	%	\$
Total			\$		\$		\$

Requested by:		Return this form along with copies of the invoices <u>and</u> copies of the paid vouchers (or other evidence of payment to vendor) to the Grantor at: Wyoming Supreme Court, Attn: Claire Smith 2301 Capitol Ave., Cheyenne, WY 82002.	
	Request Received:	Name and Title	
Grantor: Approved by/Date		Date	BELOW FOR INTERNAL PURPOSE ONLY
	COUNTY'S TOTAL APPROPRIATED FUNDS		
	CONTRACTOR		GRANTOR
	\$		\$
	AMOUNT OF THIS REQUEST		
		CONTRACTOR'S PRO-RATA %	-\$
		APPROVED AMT TO BE REIMBURSED	\$
		Total amount of reimbursements made to Contractor to date (includes approved amount from above)	
	Name and Date		

**TO: JOINT JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
JOINT APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

**FROM: JOE HARTIGAN, SECURITY OPERATIONS MANAGER, WYOMING
JUDICIARY**

RE: COURT SECURITY INCIDENT REPORTS

DATE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

The Wyoming Court Security Commission (Commission), established by W.S. § 5-11-101 et seq., continues its work to enhance court security in Wyoming courthouses by partnering with the Court Security Management Committees (local committees) established by Wyoming Court Security Standard 2009-1.

As one of its main objectives, the Commission focuses its efforts on increasing awareness of potential court security situations and risks associated with courthouses across the state. To address this objective, the Commission adopted Standard 2014-1, Incident Reporting. On January 1, 2015, courts in Wyoming began submitting incident reports for security issues happening in their courthouses. As of July 1, 2026, there have been 769 incident reports submitted. Over this past fiscal year, there were 80 incident reports submitted, which is a 21% increase from the 66 reports submitted in the prior fiscal year, and a 38% decrease from the 130 reports submitted two years ago. The overall average of the reports submitted since the inception of incident reporting is 67 reports per year. The incidents reported during the fiscal year 2026 include the following types of security events:

- 24 Disorderly conduct reports;
- 11 Written threat reports;
- 8 Verbal threat reports
- 6 Medical emergency reports;
- 1 Bomb threat report;
- 1 Prisoner escape attempt report;
- 1 Attempt to bring in a firearm; and
- 28 Other reports of the following incident type: panic alarm activation/failure; arrest/take into custody; suspicious package; violation of court order; contempt of court; protection order service; intelligence/officer safety; security breach; larceny; mental health episode; suspicious letters; vehicle crash/property damage; suspicious circumstance; unsecured courthouse; unattended bags; suspicious person at judges' residence.

Over this past year, the most alarming security issue in the judiciary has been the rise in threats against judges and court employees. On a national level, the US Marshal Service reports a 10.8% increase in judicial threats. In Wyoming, there has been a 53% increase in judicial threats—13 judicial threat reports in fiscal year 2025 increased to 20 judicial threat reports in fiscal year 2026. Some incidents involve suspicious people showing up at judges' houses as well as threatening letters and e-mails that have required extra patrol assignments for judges' homes. One individual threatened to rip the judge off the bench and hang him,

while another proclaimed his intention to kill the judge, and a third informed a judge that his existence on earth was ending. The threats are serious and display the need for secure courthouses and security training for all courthouse employees.

To effectively address the security issues in Wyoming courthouses, a collective knowledge of these incidents and security events is imperative and emphasizes the importance of having adequate security in every courthouse. The incident reports provide an important tool for local court security committees in identifying what actions were effective in each incident and what security practices need to be improved.

Wyoming Court Security Commission Meeting

Virtually via Microsoft Teams

May 7, 2026, from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Committee Members Attending: Justice John Fenn (Chair), George Nykun (Co-Chair), Judge Darci Phillips, Judge Susan Stipe, Senator Jared Olsen, Representative Bob Nicholas, Commissioner Bob Latham, Sheriff Scott Matheny, Director Ronnie Jones. Also attending were Deputy State Court Administrator Claire Smith and Supreme Court Security Officer Joe Hartigan.

Agenda Items

Call to Order

Justice John Fenn

Justice Fenn called the meeting to order and welcomed all attendees.

Court Security Legislative Appropriation

Claire Smith

The Wyoming Judicial Branch, in coordination with the National Center for State Courts (NCSC), conducted court security assessments in nine counties (Big Horn, Campbell, Crook, Hot Springs, Johnson, Park, Sheridan, Washakie, and Weston). Representatives from the various counties participated in the Commission meeting.

During the 2026 Legislative Session, the Wyoming Legislature appropriated over 3.2 million dollars for court security improvements. Claire Smith, Deputy State Court Administrator and Chief Fiscal Officer, presented an overview of the granting process to be recommended to the Wyoming Judicial Council at its June meeting. Claire presented the following information:

Purpose:

- Grants are available to address the security concerns noted in the assessment reports provided by the National Center for State Courts last year.
- If there are security concerns that weren't specifically addressed by the NCSC, there is a section in the application where details can be provided and requests can be made. The Administrative Office of the Courts will consider whether they are appropriate for this funding.
- Requests should not include items that are being covered by other grants.

	Applications: • Applications must be submitted by county commissioners. • Applications should be accompanied by bids or quotes. Process: • The applications, award letters and reimbursements will be handled by the Administrative Office of the Courts • Contact Claire for an application and other details and documents • Application period will close August 31, 2026 • Applications will be reviewed and compared to the NCSC report • Award letters will be provided by mid-September • Once approved costs are incurred and paid, counties can submit a reimbursement request, along with copies of the invoices • The Administrative Office of the Courts will process the reimbursement requests, minus the county's 10% <u>cash</u> match. • Funds must be spent by June 30, 2028. The Commission unanimously voted to recommend the Wyoming Judicial Council adopt this process.
Incident Reports Summary Joe Hartigan	Joe Hartigan reported to the Commission that there have been a total of 80 incident reports since the last meeting. Joe provided the below list of reports: Disorderly Conduct – 23 Medical Emergency – 7 Bomb Threat – 1 Verbal Threat – 11 Prisoner escape – 1 Written threat – 8 Physical Assault – 1 Suspicious Circumstance – 1 Attempt to bring in firearm – 1 Other – 26 (Other reports of the following incident type: panic alarm activation; arrest/take into custody; suspicious circumstance; vehicle crash; contempt of court; larceny; security breach;

	contraband; unattended backpack; suspicious package; mental health episode). Joe also provided the Commission information on the Iron Wall program for judges. This program helps remove judges' personal information from public websites. Currently there are 46 judges and 79 family members enrolled in the program. The Iron Wall program has scrubbed over 11,472 pieces of information for the 125 enrolled members. Joe will be reaching out to the non-participating judges and encouraging them to enroll in the program.
Homeland Security Grants George Nykun	George Nykun, Deputy Director of the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security, provided the Commission with information regarding the five Wyoming counties who applied for and received 2025 SHSP Grants from Wyoming Homeland Security: • \$209,081 - Park County - Cody and Powell court locations. Construction of bullet-proof wall, doors, window wrap. • \$59,076 - Natrona County - Townsend Justice Center. Ballistic window wrap • \$107,713 - Johnson County - County Judicial/Criminal Justice Center. Window wrap. • \$112,860 - Converse County - Courthouse lobby. Window wrap. • \$18,550 - Fremont County - Emergency medical training for courthouse employees. George stated 100% of the counties that applied for court security monies were approved. He encouraged more counties to apply. Justice Fenn thanked George for his work on the Commission and the dedication the Office of Homeland Security has shown the Wyoming court system.
Other Commission Work Justice Fenn	Justice Fenn, Joe Hartigan and George Nykun attended a court security review at the Torrington courthouse on October 17, 2025.

	Justice Fenn, George Nykun and Claire Smith will attend the Safer Courts Initiative supported by the State Justice Institute in Atlanta, Georgia on October 26-27, 2026. The Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy will host a judicial firearms training for judges on June 30, 2026.
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

**WYOMING COURT SECURITY COMMISSION
LOCAL COURT SECURITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES**

ALBANY COUNTY

Misha Westby – District Court Judge, Chairman
Rob Sanford – Circuit Court Judge
Stacy Lam – Clerk of District Court
Jen Beeston – Circuit Court Chief Clerk
Kayla Marroquin – Judicial Assistant
Kurt Britzius – County Attorney
Kayla White – County Clerk
Aaron Appelhans – Sheriff
Adam Dean – Detention Center Lieutenant
Joe Pumilio – Court Security ACSO
Tracy Fletcher – Treasurer
Ben Staab – IT Director
Bailey Quick – Grants Manager
Anthony Brown – Facility Manager

BIG HORN COUNTY

Jason Beal – Sheriff, Chairman
Bobbie Overfield – District Judge
Edward Luhm – Circuit Court Judge
Serena Lipp – District Court Clerk
Deb Craft – County Commissioner
Dave Neves – County Commissioner
Bruce Jolley – County Commissioner
Lori Smallwood – County Clerk
Debbie Cook – Jail Captain
Natalie Wardell – Admin, Sheriff's Office
Jeremy Pouska – Maintenance
William Lavine – Court Security Officer

CAMPBELL COUNTY

Michael J. McGrady – District Judge, Chairman
Greg Steward – Circuit Court Judge
Scott Matheny – Sheriff
Nathan Henkes – County Attorney
Kelley McCreery – County Commissioner
Brent Wassom – Interim Chief of Police
Pam Merchen – District Court Clerk
Captain Kevin Theis
Sergeant Scott Mooney
Corporal Murel Brink
Sandra Beeman
Bill Beastrom

CARBON COUNTY

Alex Bakken – Sheriff, Chairman
Dawnessa Snyder – District Court Judge
Mara Sanger – District Court Clerk
Jennette Hagan – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Sarah Chavez-Harkins – County Attorney's Office
Gwynn Bartlett – County Clerk
Deputy Kelly Finn – Sheriff's Office
Frank Trujillo – County Buildings & Grounds Manager
Lisa Smith – County Clerk
Matt Webster – IT Director

CONVERSE COUNTY

F. Scott Peasley – District Court Judge, Chairman
Clark C. Allan – Circuit Court Judge
Michelle Weeks – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Barbara Harris – District Court Clerk
Brenda Ramseier – District Court Judicial Assistant
Donald Blackburn – County Commissioner
Clint Becker – Sheriff
Adam Alvarado – Captain, Detention
Kim Wright – CPL-Civil, Court Security, Transport
Russ Dalgarn – Emergency Management Coordinator
Chris Caskey – Maintenance Supervisor

CROOK COUNTY

Matthew F.G. Castano – District Court Judge, Chairman
Lynda Bush – Circuit Court Judge
Julie Crawford – District Court Clerk
Joan Bethea – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
DaNece Day – County Attorney
Bob Latham – County Commissioner
Jeff Hodge – Sheriff
Larry Schommer – Facility Supervisor
Ed Robinson – Emergency Management Coordinator
Trisha Habeck – Preparedness & Response

FREMONT COUNTY**Lander Court Security Committee**

Jason Conder – District Court Judge, Chairman
Kate McKay – District Court Judge
Jefferson B. Combs – Circuit Court Judge
Amanda Sanchez – District Court Clerk
Mike Jones – County Commissioner
Micah Wyatt – County Attorney
Jeff Hutson – Lieutenant, Sheriff's Office
Glen Webster – Sheriff's Office
Kevin Reiman – Lieutenant, Sheriff's Office (Vice-Chair)
John Harmelink – County Building Superintendent
Joe Forton – Sergeant, Sheriff's Office
Christine Davey – Sergeant, Sheriff's Office
Valerie Schoneberger – Member of the Bar

FREMONT COUNTY**Riverton Court Security Committee**

Dan Stebner – Circuit Court Judge, Chairman
Kelly Anderson/Liz Butters – Chief Circuit Court Clerks
Micah Wyatt – County Attorney
Ron Fabrizio – County Commissioner
Ryan Lee – Sheriff
Mike Hutchinson – Undersheriff
Kevin Reiman – Lieutenant, Sheriff's Office
Delbert Dale – Sergeant, Sheriff's Office
Eric Smits – Captain, Riverton Police Department
John Harmelink – County Building Superintendent
Milan Vinich – County Emergency Management Coordinator
Joe Forton – Sergeant, Sheriff's Office

GOSHEN COUNTY

Ed Buchanan – District Court Judge, Chairman
Kory K. Fleenor – Sheriff
Melissa Stevens – Judicial Assistant
Herb Irons – Lieutenant, Sheriff's Office
Donna Duncan – Advocate/Coordinator
Cruz Flores – Victim Advocate
Hannah Fullmer – Grant Writer
Thom Bozeman – Emergency Management Coordinator
Eric Boyer – County Attorney
Tobie Copp – Legal Assistant
Mary Feagler – County Clerk
Brandi Correa – District Court Clerk
Jeremy Wardell – Assistant Assessor

HOT SPRINGS COUNTY

Jerimie Kraushaar – Sheriff, Chairman
Casey Freund – Sheriff's Office
Mathew Wheeler – Sheriff's Office
Dustin Worley – Sheriff's Office
Edward Luhm – Circuit Court Judge
Sara Rankin – Deputy Circuit Court Clerk
Tom Ryan – County Commissioner
Kim Lindseth – County Commissioner Admin
Bobbi Overfield – District Court Judge
Kristina McNeff – District Court Clerk
April Andreen – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Kelly Owen – County Attorney
Dean Peranteaux – IT
Johnny Dorman – Courthouse Maintenance
Sady Mounts – County Emergency Manager
Christal Eversole – County Emergency Manager

JOHNSON COUNTY

Rod Odenbach – County Sheriff, Chairman
Benjamin Kirven – District Court Judge
Sheryl Smith Bunting – Circuit Court Judge
Jeremy Kisling – Circuit Court Magistrate
Paige Rhoads – District Court Clerk
Katerie Driskill – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Tucker Ruby – County Attorney
Josh Stensaas – Deputy County Attorney
Steve Kozisek – County Commissioner
Jeff Shelly – County Commissioner
Bill Novotny – County Commissioner
Pat Monroe – County Undersheriff
Colter Chapman – Sargent
Wes Killian – Captain/Jail Administrator
Dave Eads – Facilities Manager

LARAMIE COUNTY

Gunnar Malm – County Commissioner, Chairman
Linda Heath – County Commissioner
Peter Froelicher – District Court Judge
Antoinette Williams – Circuit Court Judge
Diane Sanchez – District Court Clerk
Mark Voss – County Attorney
Jason Smallwood – Building Maintenance
Aaron Veldheer – Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Department
Brad Alexander – IT
Gavin Lobmeyer – Rick Management
Joann Young – Lieutenant, Sheriff's Department
Kraig Tafoya – Sergeant, Sheriff's Department
Trent Brightly – Corporal, Sheriff's Department

LINCOLN COUNTY

Joseph Bluemel – District Court Judge, Chairman
Thomas Deering – Circuit Court Judge
Ken Roberts – District Court Clerk
Spencer Allred – County Attorney
Tammy Fields – Public Defender's Office
Shane Johnson – Sheriff
Jodie King – Sheriff's Office
Lance Francis – Court Security
April Brunski – County Clerk
Debbie Larson – County Assessor
Jerry Greenfield – County Treasurer
Destry Dearden – IT/GIS Dept.
Matt Mochel – Maintenance
Kent Connelly – County Commissioner
Teri Bowers – County Commissioner

NATRONA COUNTY

Kerri Johnson – District Court Judge, Chairman
Nicole Collier – Circuit Court Judge
Dallas Laird – County Commissioner
John Harlin – County Sheriff
Bart Olson – County Undersheriff
Corey Davison – County Lieutenant
Tyler Hoffman – County Sergeant
Gordon Schuler – IT Supervisor, Natrona County
Jill Kiester – Clerk of District Court

NIOBRARA COUNTY

Ed Buchanan – District Court Judge, Chairman
Chrisanna Lund – District Court Clerk
Jeb Hanson – County Commissioner
JD Wasserburger – County Commissioner Candidate
Anne Wasserburger – County Attorney
Randy Starkey – County Sheriff
Kelly Dean – Undersheriff
Dennis Meier – Magistrate
Becky Blackburn – Legal Assistant to County Attorney

PARK COUNTY

Dossie Overfield – Chairman, County Commissioner
Joey Darrah – Circuit Court Judge
Darrell Steward – Sheriff
Bryan Skoric – County Attorney
Deb Carroll – District Court Clerk
Trevor Kattenhorn – Building and Grounds Supervisor
Jeffrey Martin – Homeland Security

PLATTE COUNTY

Scott Peasley – District Court Judge, Chairman
Jacqueline Brown – Circuit Court Judge
Anthony Krotz - Sheriff
Mona McAuley – District Court Clerk
Heather Stigall – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Doug Weaver – County Attorney
Steve Shockley – County Commissioner
Jeb Baker – County Commissioner
Ian Jolovich – County Commissioner
Malcolm Ervin – County Clerk
Jamie Rietz – Emergency Management Coordinator
Jordan Ham – IT Management Company
Jim DeWitt – Maintenance Supervisor

SHERIDAN COUNTY

Darci Phillips – District Court Judge, Chairman
Sheryl S. Bunting – Circuit Court Judge
Rene Botten – District Court Clerk
Dianna Bennett – County Attorney
Anna Malmberg – Public Defender
Cameron Duff – County Administrator
Eda Schunk – County Clerk
Levi Domingez – Sheriff
Steve Matheson – Courthouse Deputy
Seth Gilmore – Courthouse Deputy
Charles Gibbons – Lieutenant
Jesse Ludikhuize – Emergency Management
Erik Gillette – Facilities Manager

SUBLETTE COUNTY

Lance Gehlhausen – Deputy Sheriff, Co-Chairman
Kate McKay – District Court Judge, Co-Chairman
John LaBuda – Circuit Court Judge
Janet Montgomery – Clerk of District Court
Amy Knotts – Circuit Court Chief Clerk
Sam White – County Commissioner
K. C. Lehr – County Sheriff
Clayton Melinkovich – County Attorney
Jessica Rice – County Clerk
Andre Irely – County Maintenance Department
Craig Harmon - IT

SWEETWATER COUNTY

Dean Stout – Circuit Court Judge, Chair
Suzannah Robinson – District Court Judge, Vice-Chair
Dan Erramouspe – County Attorney
Matthew Bartolotta – Sheriff's Office
Taylor Jones – County Commissioner

TETON COUNTY

Michael Crook – Sergeant, Court Security Supervisor, Chairman
Melissa Owens – District Court Judge
Erin Weisman – Circuit Court Judge
Anne Sutton – District Court Clerk
Mark Newcomb – County Commissioner
Matt Carr – Sheriff
Richard Stout – County Attorney
Josiah Nash – Facilities Manager

UINTA COUNTY

James Kaste – District Court Judge, Chairman
Michael Greer – Circuit Court Judge
Kerri Wright – District Court Clerk
Andy Kopp – Sheriff
Trevor Rasmussen – Undersheriff
Matias Taliercio – Court Security
Brent Hatch – County Commissioner
Loretta Howieson Kallas – County Attorney
Terry Brimhall – County Treasurer
Amanda Hutchinson – County Clerk
Ashlee Richins – County Assessor
Jeff Breininger – Maintenance
Josh Rasnake – Emergency Management
Tammy Fields – Public Defender's Office
Gary Welling – Planning and Zoning
Chris Lym – Judicial Assistant
Lydia Wagstaff – Circuit Court Chief Clerk

WASHAKIE COUNTY

Austin Brookwell – Sheriff, Chairman
Bobbi Overfield – District Court Judge
Edward Luhm – Circuit Court Judge
Marian Hansen – Clerk of District Court
Bradley Munn – Detention Sergeant
Terry Wolf – County Commissioner
Anthony Barton – County Attorney
Heath Kiser – County Maintenance Foreman
Kami Neighbors – Emergency Manager

WESTON COUNTY

Michael Causey – District Court Judge, Chair
Lynda Bush – Circuit Court Judge, Vice Chairman
Riki Kaiser – District Court Clerk (Recording Secretary)
Donna Podio – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Michael Stulken – County & Prosecuting Attorney
Nate Todd – Chairman, County Commissioner
Ed Wagoner – County Commissioners (Ex Officio Member)
Bryan Colvard – Sheriff
Mike Tooman – County Clerk
Gilbert Nelson – Homeland Security

