

Improving Felony Caseflow

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Superior Court Education Center,
2nd Floor, 620 West Jackson Street, Phoenix, AZ
Phoenix, Arizona

WORKSHOP AGENDA

DAY 1 – Monday, December 3, 2018

Time	Topic	Facilitators
8:00-8:30 AM	Arrival, Check-In, Continental Breakfast: <i>Seminar Room</i>	Judicial Education Staff
8:30- 9:15 AM	Welcome, Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presiding Judge, AZ Judicial Branch, Maricopa County• Administrator, AZ Judicial Branch, Maricopa County• Workshop Purpose and Objectives• Participant Introductions and Expectations	Barton Billotte Costello; Griller Attendees
9:15 – 10:00 AM	Unnecessary Delay: The Enemy of Justice	Griller; Costello
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Participant Survey Results: Plenary Discussion ¹	Costello; Griller
10:30 - 10:45 AM	<i>Break</i>	
10:45 – 11:45 AM	Basic Principles and Truths of Felony Case Management <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Time to Disposition Data: 1990's vs. Today• 40 Years of Research: Proven Solutions Reviewed• Judge Autonomy vs. Systemwide Processes: A War of the Parts against the Whole	Costello Griller Costello
11:45 AM – 1:00 PM	Lunch at Jackson Street Education Facility: Discuss Pretrial Release Issues	All
1:00 – 1:15 PM	Walk to South Court (Criminal) Tower	Jury Assembly Area
1:30 – 2:00 PM	Overview of Maricopa County Superior Court Felony Case Processing System <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Caseload; Judicial Officers (Judges; Commissioners); South Court Tower Design• Individual to Master Calendar: Does the Case Assignment System Matter?	Myers; Bleuenstein; et.al.
2:00 – 4:00 PM	Review of Maricopa County Exemplary Felony Case Management Approaches <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Front-end Felony Processing<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Early Disposition Court (EDC)○ Regional Court Center (RCC)• Pretrial Procedures<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Intermediate and Final Pretrial Conferences○ Criminal Settlement Conferences○ Plea-on-Demand• Caseflow Support: Prisoner Transport; Remote Interpreter Systems• Post Adjudication Processes: Probation Violations	Myers; Bleuenstein; et.al.
4:00 – 4:30 PM	Debriefing / Questions / Adjournment	Myers; Bleuenstein, et.al.

¹ Prior to attending the workshop, each participant was requested to complete an Internet questionnaire about felony case processing in their jurisdiction. During this session, we will discuss both overall and specific results.

DAY 2 – Tuesday, December 4, 2018

Time	Topic	Facilitators
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Arrival, Continental Breakfast – <i>Seminar Room</i>	Judicial Education Staff
8:30 – 9:45 AM	Making the Pretrial Process Meaningful: Creating a Culture of Predictability <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish Expectation that Lawyers and Parties are Present and Prepared• ABA Discovery and Disclosure Guidelines• Motion Practice structured for Early Resolution• Sensible, Useful Continuance Policies and Monitoring Delays• Case Management Orders, Rules, Protocols• Triaging Cases (Differentiated Case Management) by Complexity / Time to Resolve	Costello; Griller
9:45 – 10:30 AM	Criminal Case Management Data: Manual and Computerized <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Four CourTool Measures: Basic Performance Tools• Examples of Criminal Case Management Reports• Measuring Elapse Times between Major Case Processing Events• Time Standards/Guidelines: Are they Useful?	Griller; Costello
10:30 – 10:45 AM	<i>Break</i>	
10:45 – 11:45	Leading Major Caseflow Change <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eight Steps of Major Change: The Value of Pilot Projects• Needed Justice System Stakeholder Collaboration: Targeting Mutual Gains	Barton; Billotte
11:45 – 12Noon	Instructions for Problem Scenario Discussions ²	Griller
12:15 – 1:45 PM	Working Lunch and Small Group Discussions: Problem Scenarios	All
1:45 – 2:45 PM	Plenary Discussion and Report Backs on Problem Scenarios	Costello; Griller
2:45 – 3:00 PM	<i>Break</i>	
3:00 – 4:15 PM	Socratic Panel: Can Caseflow Management Promote Better Lawyering? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Efficiency and Quality: Are They Mutually Exclusive• Judge Shopping – What's a Lawyer to Do?• Continuances – What are Workable Policies and Practices?• How Do You Build Trust Between Adversaries?• Prepared Lawyers Settle Cases – How Do Courts Prompt Preparedness?	Costello; Myers
4:15 – 4:30 PM	Preparing for Tomorrow	Griller
4:30 PM	Adjournment	

² Prior to attending the workshop, each participant was requested to develop a caseflow problem statement and scenario related to a subject they wished to explore during the workshop. In mixed small groups, during an extended working lunch, and aided by a discussion template, you are asked to share your scenarios and explore possible options to address the dilemmas outlined. We will review the problems and potential solutions in a following plenary session.

DAY 3 – Wednesday, December 5, 2018

Time	Topic	Facilitators
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Arrival, Continental Breakfast – <i>Seminar Room</i>	Judicial Education Staff
8:30 – 8:45 AM	Briefing on CFM Action Plan Assignment	Costello; Griller
8:45 – 10:15 AM	Develop CFM Action Plans by Jurisdiction	All + Faculty
10:15 – 10:30 AM	<i>Break</i>	
10:30 – 11:30 AM	Plenary Session: Reports on CFM Action Plans by Jurisdiction	All + Faculty
11:30 – 12Noon	Closing Remarks	Costello; Griller + All
12Noon	Adjournment	