

Directive 93-01

SUPREME COURT OF COLORADO

Office of the Chief Justice

ORDER ESTABLISHING THE

TECHNOLOGY STEERING COMMITTEE

In order to study policy questions regarding future uses of technology, monitor new technology, and develop a comprehensive technology plan, the Chief Justice of the Colorado Supreme Court hereby establishes the Supreme Court Technology Steering Committee.

Purposes

The general purposes of the Technology Steering Committee shall be:

- Study the technological needs of the judicial system;
- Recommend ways of improving the judicial system through the use of technology;
- Provide guidance to the Chief Justice, the Supreme Court and the State Court Administrator concerning the technology industry and its impact on the judicial system;
- Develop a comprehensive technology strategy which will allow the judicial system to get ahead of the "technology curve" within the next five years; and
- Make specific recommendations to the Supreme Court regarding implementation of technological systems.

Responsibilities

In keeping with its general purposes, the Technology Steering Committee shall:

- Develop a 5 year technology strategy for the judicial system;
- Submit an annual report of its findings and recommendations to the Supreme Court;
- Serve as an advisory board to the Chief Justice and the State Court Administrator concerning proposals or plans involving technology which affect the administration of justice in the state of Colorado; and
- Perform such services and functions as may be reasonably implied by the general statement of purposes and responsibilities set forth above.

Organization and Membership

The members of the Technology Steering Committee shall be appointed by the Chief Justice from the judiciary and the private sector, who possess varied technological and administrative expertise. Members will serve staggered two and three-year terms beginning August 1, 1993, and terminating on July 31, 1995 and July 31, 1996 respectively. Upon expiration of initial terms, all terms shall be for three years. The Chief Justice shall determine which members are appointed for initial two-year terms. Membership shall include persons representing the following interest areas:

- State Court Administrator's Office;
- The Colorado Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals;
- Colorado's trial courts;
- Probation;
- Criminal justice or law enforcement;
- Colorado Bar Association; and
- Information and communication industry.

The total membership of the committee shall not exceed 14 members. At least seven persons shall be appointed from the private sector. The committee chair shall be designated by the Chief Justice.

Officers

The Chair of the committee shall preside at all meetings and be responsible to the Chief Justice for the committee's performance of all duties and functions assigned to it. The chair shall appoint a vice-chair from the membership of the committee. The vice-chair shall have the authority of the chair when the chair is unable to act or when requested to act by the chair or the Chief Justice.

General Provisions

The chair shall have the power to appoint committees for such purposes and to perform such duties as the chair may determine.

Any vacancy in the membership of the Committee shall be filled by appointment of the Chief Justice in accordance with the membership qualifications stated above and for the balance of the unexpired term of the vacant position.


Regular meetings of the Technology Steering Committee shall be held at least quarterly each year. Special meetings may be held upon the call of the chair.

The Committee shall be assisted in its work by the State Court Administrator's Office, which shall provide such information and services as may be required by the Committee.

The Committee is authorized to adopt rules of procedure to govern the conduct of its meetings.

DONE IN DENVER, COLORADO, THIS 18th day of August, 1993.

SUPREME COURT OF COLORADO

By 
LUIS D. ROVIRA,
Chief Justice

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