



Court Process Workgroup: Victim Access Subgroup

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

8:00 AM- 9:00 AM

Fairfax County Courthouse

Room 201.1

Members Present: The Hon. Susan Stoney (chair), Nora Mahoney (co-chair), Tina Spurlock, Angela Yeboah, Sandra Guerrero Perez, Renee Carol Grate, Ayaan Ali, Pam Sejas, and Brittany Vera

Members Present virtually: Mabel Prine and Stephanie Romonchuk

Staff and technical assistance participating virtually: David Steib

Members absent: Bolivia Bustamante, Fazia Deen, The Hon. Jonathan Frieden, Kristi Smith, and Toni Zollicoffer

Members of the public: Kacey Kirkland, a workgroup member, participated by phone

I. Welcome

Judge Stoney welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mabel Prine participated remotely due to living out of state. Stephanie Romonchuk participated remotely due to personal matters. Kacey Kirkland participated as a member of the public by phone.

II. PO Process Material Review: Finish section for Protective Order Trial

Nora Mahoney shared the remaining section of the part of the protective order process as it relates to the trial for the final protective order.

The group discussed different ways to phrase the evidentiary details and the how to explain the burden of proof.

Sandra Guerrero Perez raised concerns about how to phrase some of the legal terms so they translate more easily into other languages.

The group discussed if it would be helpful to lay out a map of how the trial will proceed in the document. Judge Stoney gave her suggestions for language she uses with pro se parties in her courtroom.

The group discussed other changes to the document to make it easier to understand for readers. The group did not finish reviewing the section and will resume at the next meeting in April.

III. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

IV. Adjourn

Judge Stoney adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be April 18th at 8am in the Admin Training Room of the Courthouse.

Next meeting: April 18, 2023 at 8am, *in person*
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