

**UTAH JUDICIAL COUNCIL
STANDING COMMITTEE ON MODEL UTAH CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS
MEETING MINUTES**

Via Webex
June 4th, 2025 – 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBER:	ROLE:	PRESENT	EXCUSED	GUESTS:
Hon. Teresa Welch	District Court Judge [Chair]	•		STAFF: Bryson King
Hon. Christopher Bown	Justice Court Judge	•		
Dr. Jay Jordan	Linguist/Communications Professor		•	
Hon. Linda Jones	Emeritus District Court Judge	•		
Hon. Matthew Bates	District Court Judge	•		
Lacey Singleton	Defense Attorney	•		
Janet Lawrence	Defense Attorney		•	
Jeffrey Mann	Prosecutor	•		
Breanne Miller	Prosecutor	•		
Shannon Woulfe	Defense Attorney	•		
Freyja Johnson	Defense Attorney	•		
McKay Lewis	Prosecutor	•		
Nic Mills	Prosecutor	•		

(1) WELCOME AND APPROVAL OF APRIL 2025 MINUTES

Judge Welch welcomed the Committee and reminded the members that the Committee would not be meeting in July due to the holiday. Judge Welch then asked if any members had a correction to last month's minutes and Jeff Mann pointed to a typo. With the correction to the minutes, Judge Welch called for a motion to approve the minutes. Jeff Mann moved to approve with Breanne Miller seconding the motion. Without opposition, the minutes are approved.

(2) AGENDA ITEM 2: PROPOSED CR1013 – ALCOHOL RESTRICTED DRIVER

Judge Welch then asked Breanne Miller to update the Committee on CR1013. Breanne reviewed her proposals with the Committee, including bifurcation issues related to Alcohol Restricted Driver cases. The Committee then reviewed Breanne's proposals and Judge Welch asked whether the Committee believed it should address bifurcation issues in the committee note section of the proposed instruction. McKay Lewis voiced opposition to including the issue in the committee note to avoid giving practice tips to lawyers. Freyja Johnson pointed to several instruction in the MUJI Criminal series that discuss bifurcation, including the use of jury verdict forms to guide practitioners on bifurcation issues. Lacey Singleton voiced support for Freyja's opinion. Judge Bown suggested language in the committee note and Judge Jones also suggested language to include in the note directing practitioners on how to use the elements in a bifurcated trial. The Committee members then

discussed the proposed instruction's final version. After discussion on the proposed instruction, and some formatting changes, Nic Mills moved to approve the instruction and Freyja Johnson seconded the motion. Without opposition, the motion carries and the instruction will be sent out for public comment.

(3) AGENDA ITEM 2: PROPOSED CR1012 – IGNITION INTERLOCK DRIVER

Judge Welch then asked Judge Bates to introduce his proposed instruction to the Committee. Judge Bates discussed his proposal, including the option to draft a committee note explaining the definition of ignition interlock driver and guidance for practitioners. Judge Bown also provided guidance about the use of Driver's License Division's interlock restriction certifications used in trials on these types of cases. After some additional discussion, Judge Bates volunteered to come back to the next Committee meeting with additional edits to CR1012.

(4) ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:20p.m. The next Committee meeting will be August 6th, 2025, at 12:00p.m.