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

Via Webex August 6th, 2025 – 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBER:	ROLE:	PRESENT	EXCUSED	GUESTS:
Hon. Teresa Welch	District Court Judge [Chair]	•		
Hon. Christopher Bown	Justice Court Judge	•		
Dr. Jay Jordan	Linguist/Communications Professor		•	STAFF:
Hon. Linda Jones	Emeritus District Court Judge	•		Bryson King
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 JUNE 2025 MINUTES

Judge Welch welcomed the Committee and reviewed the June meeting minutes. Judge Welch then called for a motion to approve the minutes. Freyja Johnson moved to approve the minutes, and Judge Bown seconded the motion. Without opposition, the motion is approved.

(2) AGENDA ITEM 2: PUBLIC COMMENTS CR1013

Judge Welch then indicated to the Committee that CR1013 did not receive any public comments. The instruction has been published on the website and is final.

(3) AGENDA ITEM 2: PROPOSED CR1012 - INGITION INTERLOCK DRIVER

Judge Welch then turned the Committee's attention to CR1012 and reviewed the Committee's discussion from June about the proposal. Judge Bates then reviewed his proposal with the Committee and discussed the current practice in justice courts for demonstrating a defendant's status as an "interlock restricted driver." He explained that his committee note in the proposed instruction addresses this practice, in lieu of creating a separate instruction to define an interlock restricted driver. Breanne suggested language used in the CR1013 – Alcohol Restricted Driver instruction to be considered in the CR1012 proposed instruction. McKay Lewis

expressed support for not creating a separate instruction to define an interlock restricted driver and adding language in the proposed instruction providing for that category instead. The Committee then discussed whether to include an additional element in the proposed instruction to establish a defendant's status as an interlock restricted driver, or whether to leave the reference to that status in the committee note only. Judge Jones suggested amended language for the committee note. Judge Bown and Breanne suggested language for the elements that mirrors what was done in CR1013 and explains the use of the language (bracketed) in the committee note. Breanne also suggested removing language from the committee note that discusses the use of certified copies of drivers' licenses to establish interlock status. The Committee discussed the suggestions and voted to retain the elements language and remove language discussing the use of certified copies of drivers' licenses. Following that vote, Judge Welch asked the Committee to pause its discussion and resume at the next meeting by discussing the formatting and numbering of the elements portion of the instruction. McKay also asked that the Committee discuss an amendment to the first sentence of the proposed instruction. He will bring that suggestion to the Committee's attention at the beginning of the next meeting.

(4) ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:50p.m. The next Committee meeting will be September 3rd, 2025, at 12:00p.m.