

# Agenda

## Utah Judicial Council's Standing Committee on Resources for Self-represented Parties

April 6, 2023 – 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Via Webex: <https://utcourts.webex.com/meet/nathanaelp>

Welcome and review of agenda	Judge Rich Mrazik
Approval of February minutes	Judge Rich Mrazik
Roundtable updates	All
Welcome new members (pending formal approval from the Judicial Council) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Judge Jeri Allphin, Dagget County Justice Court</li><li>■ Danielle Stevens, People's Legal Aid</li><li>■ Dawn Hautamaki, Clerk of Court for the Eighth District</li></ul> <p><i>We have an opening for a member of a social services agency that provides direct services to underserved communities</i></p>	Judge Rich Mrazik
Update regarding occupancy calendars for pro se hearings	Discussion
Update regarding court navigators: considering Housing Legal Stability Advocates <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <a href="#">Announcement from Office of Legal Services Innovation</a></li><li>■ <a href="#">Utah Supreme Court Standing Order No. 16</a></li><li>■ <a href="#">I4J report on HSLAs</a></li></ul>	Discussion

**MINUTES for Utah Judicial Council's Standing Committee  
on Resources for Self-Represented Parties Summary**

*Via Webex*

February 9, 2023

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Name	Position	Attended	Excused
Honorable Rich Mrazik	District court judge and chair	X	
Honorable Ann Marie Mciff Allen	District court judge	X	
Honorable Annette Jan	Juvenile court judge	X	
Honorable Danalee Welch-O'Donnal	Justice court judge	X	
Nicole Gray	Appellate clerk of court	X	
Shannon Treseder	Urban clerk of court		X
Nathanael Player	Self-Help Center representative		X
Charles Stormont	Utah State Bar	X	
Peter Strand	Legal services organization that serves low-income clients		X
Marcus Degen	Legal services organization that serves low-income clients		X
Alison Satterlee	Private attorney	X	
Professor Leslie Francis	Law school representative	X	
Professor Beth Jennings	Law school representative		X
Kaden Taylor	State law librarian	X	
Shawn Newell	Community representative	X	
Brooke Robinson	Community representative		X
Amy Hernandez	Ex Officio Domestic Violence Coordinator		
Pamela Beatse	Ex Officio Utah State Bar Access to Justice Office	X	
Keenan Carroll	Utah State Bar Access to Justice Office		
Nancy Sylvester	Guest – Utah State Bar		
Sandra Carpaio	Guest – Utah 2-1-1		

### **Approval of December minutes**

Charles Stormont Allison Satterlee seconds. No discussion.

**Moving our meeting to a different date/time  
(can we do the first, third, or fourth Thursday of the month?)**

Judge Mrazik asks to move this meeting to the 1st or 3rd Thursday of the month. The committee agrees to move the meeting to the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be April 6th.

**Quick check in with everyone re: updates/challenges**

- Pro se calendars seem to be running short on volunteers.
- Staff is continuing to work on the new court website to make sure it is useful for people.
- Debt collection clinics appear to be reaching more people. Looking into adding a second clinic.
- Limited Scope representation for immediate occupancy hearings is no longer being offered at Matheson. The outcome of cases did not seem to be affected by if there was an attorney assisting. Debt collection calendar is still being offered.
- There will be a new clinic held weekly specifically for those with immediate occupancy hearings?

**Update regarding conversation with Rick Hoffman and his efforts to build a certification program**

Rick Hoffman is interested in a badge or certification that non-lawyers can receive to show they have a sufficient amount of training and supervision to act as a non-lawyer navigator, advisor, etc. This would be a statewide program. This program would allow groups of people such as social workers, victim's advocates, LDS bishops, etc. to provide more legal help and even offer advice on what someone should do, either in or outside of a courtroom.

**Discussion of proposal and consideration of possible support**

The committee discussed which types of cases would benefit from someone from this program helping and which ones may not benefit as much.

Useful:

Debt collection

Small claims

Landlord-tenant

Domestic violence

Writ large

Not useful:

Not real property

The committee discussed if people like advocates and LDS bishops might feel sufficiently motivated to sign up to learn and give advice. Also, would there be a blurring of roles to speak to a potential client's best interests? The group also discussed the importance of a complaint mechanism.

**Based on your experience and perspective, where do you think non-lawyer navigators would be most helpful?**

*The Self-Rep Committee now meets the first Thursday of each month. Meeting schedule for 2023*

*April 6, 2023*

*June 1, 2023*

*August 3, 2023*

*October 4, 2023*

*December 7, 2023*