# UTAH STATE COURTS



## **Board of Justice Court Judges**

Update to the Judicial Council October 23, 2023



### Overview of the Justice Courts

#### 107 Justice Courts

- 17 have a workload greater than 1.0
- 51 of the other 90 have workloads of 0.25 or less
- 67 judges, but that will change when current or upcoming vacancies are filled in

• Utah County

Grantsville

Summit County

Murray

Provo

Other

- 53 males (79%), 14 females (21%)
- 50 with law degrees (75%), 17 without (25%)



### Updates

#### Administration

- Justice Court Administrator Jim Peters
- Deputy Justice Court Administrator Kim Zimmerman
- Justice Court Education Coordinator Bryce Hansen
- Clerk Education
  - 46 modules created for Clerk Certification so far
    - More than 16,000 modules completed in connection with Clerk Certification
  - District-level Training
    - Complete in 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>
    - Coming up in 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in the next two weeks

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### Board Goals

#### Last Year:

- Strengthen data integrity
  - Look at classifying justice courts differently
  - Review the judicial workload formula
  - Finish the clerical workload study
  - Develop policies for consistent data entry
- Collect salary data for justice court clerks
  - **Develop a plan to elim**inate Accounting Model II



### Board Goals

#### • This Year:

Judiciary

- Stay Actively Involved in Justice Court Reform
- Review the Use of Pro Tem Judges in Justice Court and Make Recommendations for Improvement
- Continue Working Towards Integrating Justice Courts into the

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## Questions?