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Ed Smith
CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF MONTANA

Case Number: AF 06-0216

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING A)
 COMMISSION ON THE USE OF APPROPRIATE) O R D E R
 TECHNOLOGY IN THE MONTANA JUDICIARY)

WHEREAS the Montana Judiciary operates a number of information management systems at various court levels; and

WHEREAS a comprehensive examination of the use of appropriate technology in the operations of the court system has never been undertaken; and

WHEREAS there is a need to examine the use of computers in the Judiciary in order to manage both workload and caseload in an efficient, cost effective manner; and

WHEREAS the Montana Supreme Court is vested with the general supervisory control of courts in Montana; and

WHEREAS the Montana Supreme Court is vested with authority to make rules governing procedure in courts in Montana,
 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. An eleven-member Commission on the Use of Appropriate Technology in Montana Judiciary is hereby established.

2. The following persons are appointed as members of the Commission to serve for two-year terms beginning January 1, 1988:

Honorable R. C. McDonough, Justice,
 Montana Supreme Court

Honorable Douglas G. Harkin, District
 Court Judge, Fourth Judicial District

Honorable Thomas A. Olson, District
 Court Judge, Eighteenth Judicial District

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Honorable Bernard F. McCarthy, Justice
of the Peace, Lewis and Clark County

Honorable Nancy L. Sabo, Justice of the
Peace, Ravalli County

Mr. John Van, Clerk of the District
Court, Flathead County

Mrs. Clara Gilreath, Clerk of the Dis-
trict Court, Lewis and Clark County

Mrs. Charmaine Fisher, Clerk of the
District Court, Yellowstone County

Mrs. June Little, Clerk of the District
Court, Park County

Mrs. Maryhelen Habeger, Clerk of the
District Court, Hill County

Mr. Jim Oppedahl, Court Administrator,
Montana Supreme Court

3. It shall be the function of the Commission on the Use of Appropriate Technology to comprehensively review the current and future uses of appropriate technology within the Montana Judiciary and to recommend to the Supreme Court those changes and alternatives that it considers necessary to improve the operation of the judicial system.

4. The Commission hereby created shall hold its first meeting on February 5, 1988, commencing at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room located in Room 321 in the Justice Building at 215 North Sanders, Helena, Montana. At said time, the Commission shall select its own chairman, vice chairman and secretary, and proceed with the business for which it is formed.

5. The Commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the Montana Supreme Court.

6. The Clerk is directed to mail a true copy of this order to each of the Commission members appointed above.

DATED this 31ST day of December, 1987.

J. B. Turnage
Chief Justice

John Conway Harrison

John G. Stechy

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K.C. Pullman

William E. Hunt

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Justices