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PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE UTCR Request for Public Comment

The Uniform Trial Court Rules committee met on October 16, 2015, to review proposals to amend the UTCR and to make preliminary recommendations to the Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court. A description of the proposals and action taken by the committee is posted at: <http://courts.oregon.gov/OJD/programs/utcr/pages/utcrules.aspx>.

Proposals of special note address a variety of Oregon eCourt issues, numbering of lines, the Confidential Information Form (CIF), criminal settlement conferences, trial dates when venue changes, limited scope representation in family law cases, family law time requirements, and arbitrator time requirements.

The committee encourages all interested parties to submit comments on the proposals. Comments can be posted at the web address mentioned above, mailed to the UTCR Reporter at the Office of the State Court Administrator, Supreme Court Building, 1163 State Street, Salem, Oregon 97301-2563, or emailed to utcr@ojd.state.or.us. In order to be considered by the committee, we must receive your public comment by 5:00 p.m. on March 18, 2016.

The committee will make final recommendations on these proposals at the next UTCR meeting on April 8, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. Those proposals approved by the Chief Justice will become effective on August 1, 2016.

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