NOTICE

T0:

NEWS MEDIA

OREGON STATE BAR BULLETIN

January 8, 1979

FROM:

Council on Court Procedures

University of Oregon Law Center

Eugene, Oregon 97403

The next meeting of the COUNCIL ON COURT PROCEDURES will be held on Saturday, January 27, 1979, at 9:30 a.m., in Judge Dale's Courtroom, Multnomah County Courthouse, Portland, Oregon. At that time, the Council will decide which rules of Oregon pleading, practice, and procedure are to be considered by the Council during the next biennium.

* * * *

A G E N D A

COUNCIL ON COURT PROCEDURES

9:30 a.m., Saturday, January 27, 1979

Judge Dale's Courtroom

Multnomah County Courthouse

Portland, Oregon

- Approval of minutes of meeting held December 2, 1978
- 2. Report on status of rules in legislature
- 3. Agenda for 1979-1981 biennium
- 4. NEW BUSINESS

COUNCIL ON COURT PROCEDURES

Minutes of Meeting held January 27, 1979

Judge Dale's Courtroom

Multnomah County Courthouse

Portland, Oregon

Present:

Darst B. Atherly
Sidney A. Brockley
John M. Copenhaver
Wm. M. Dale, Jr.
Carl Burnham, Jr.
Garr M. King
Laird Kirkpatrick
Harriet Meadow Krauss
William L. Jackson

Berkeley Lent Donald W. McEwen James B. O'Hanlon Charles P.A. Paulson Val D. Sloper

Wendell H. Tompkins

Absent:

E. Richard Bodyfelt John Buttler Anthony L. Casciato Ross G. Davis

James O. Garrett Wendell E. Gronso Randolph Slocum William W. Wells

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don McEwen at 9:40 a.m.

The minutes of the meeting of December 2, 1978, as modified by the additional paragraph relating to Rule 44 E., were unanimously approved.

The Executive Director reported that the Joint Senate and House Judiciary Committees had scheduled hearings on the rules submitted every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. for an 8-week period beginning on Tuesday, February 6, 1979. The legislators requested that the first meeting be devoted to an overview of the rules and Council activity and any constitutional questions relating to the legislation establishing The Executive Director reported that he had been informed that constitutionality was included because some vague suggestions of constitutional problems and a potential suit had been made to Judiciary Committee members, but no specific constitutional questions had apparently been raised. The Council discussed the matter, and it was pointed out that the legislation creating the Council would be presumed to be constitutional and that the 1977 legislature had considered constitutionality in passing the bill establishing the Council and the matter had further been considered by the Governor's office. The Executive Director was asked to furnish a brief statement to this effect to the Committee and to

be prepared to deal with any specific questions that might be raised.

The Council discussed the meeting schedule for the legislative hearings and agreed that one judge and one attorney Council member should be present at all hearings. A schedule for members' attendance was agreed upon, and the Executive Director was asked to send this to all members with specific information relating to time and location of hearings. The Council discussed whether any attempt should be made to have the rules enacted as a statute, but no action to this effect was suggested.

The Council also discussed whether the Executive Director should register as a lobbyist. It was suggested that to avoid any questions, this should be done.

The Council discussed the problem of the limited number of printed copies of the rules available for distribution. The Executive Director reported that no amount had been budgeted for printing rules and that very few copies of the printed final rules remain. It was suggested that the Bar Association be asked to print further copies if they wish to distribute the final rules to members of the bar.

The Executive Director asked for clarification of the motion passed at the last Council meeting relating to sending copies of rules considered by the Council, but not incorporated in the Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure, to various attorney groups in the state. It was agreed that the Council intended to have the draft interrogatory rule, as well as the full rule relating to expert witnesses, submitted to the attorney groups. The Executive Director also reported that he had notified various members of these groups that the Council would consider future activities at this meeting and asked for suggestions. No specific suggestions have been received.

The Council discussed the schedule of work for the next biennium.

The Executive Director reported that a Ways and Means Subcommittee has approved the submitted Council budget for the next biennium. He also reported that the subcommittee intended to attach a budget note which stated that the legislature expected that the bulk of the revisions of civil procedure would be completed by the Council for submission to the 1981 Legislature and that staffing needs for the Council would be substantially reduced in the following biennium.

Sid Brockley moved, seconded by Jim O'Hanlon, that the Council concentrate during the 1979-81 biennium upon other procedural areas in ORS which should be incorporated into the Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure as set out on Pages 2 and 3 of the staff memorandum dated January 15,

Minutes of Meeting - 1/27/79 Page 3

1979, beginning with judgments, enforcement of judgments, provisional remedies, and costs and disbursements. The motion passed unanimously. It was suggested that pleading and proving attorneys' fees should be a priority item. Rather than determining an exact order of proceeding at this meeting, it was decided to schedule a further meeting after the legislative hearings had been completed and then decide on the order of priority at that time. The next meeting was scheduled for Saturday, April 7, 1979, at 9:30 a.m. in Judge Sloper's Courtroom, Marion County Courthouse, Salem, Oregon. The Executive Director indicated that to the extent that time was available before that meeting he would begin on judgments and costs and disbursements.

The Council discussed the contracting of some drafting of rules for the next biennium by independent drafters. The proposal of Frank R. Lacy relating to enforcement of judgments and provisional remedies was discussed. Judge Dale moved, seconded by Jim O'Hanlon, that the Council agree to contract with Mr. Lacy for the work outlined in the amount specified in Mr. Lacy's proposal. This, however, would be subject to the condition that continued rule drafting and funding be available after this legislative session and further subject to a determination by the Executive Director that no state law requires advertising or general solicitation of bids for the contract drafting work. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Fredric R. Merrill Executive Director

FRM:gh

FROM THE DESCOPE
DAVE FROHNMAYER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



HOME ADDRESS: 2875 BAKER BLVD. EUGENE, OREGON 97403

Enclosed are copies of bills in which I thought you might be interested.

Any comments you might care to make would be greatly appreciated.

DAVE FROHNMAYER State Representative

> s. Requires positions to unsel three motion of

indigent defendant.

From The Desk Of REP. DAVE FROHNMAYER Lane County District 40 State Capitol Salem, Oregon 97310

House Bill 2236

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Prohibits impeachment of credibility of adverse witness by evidence that he has been convicted of crime.

From The Desk Of REP. DAVE FROHNMAYER Lane County District 40 State Capitol Salem, Oregon 97310 1

3

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to impeachment of witnesses; amending ORS 45.600.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - Section 1. ORS 45.600 is amended to read:
- 5 45.600. A witness may be impeached by the party against whom he was called, by contradictory
- 6 evidence or by evidence that his general reputation for truth is bad or that his moral character is
- such as to render him unworthy of belief; but he may not be impeached by evidence of particular
- 8 wrongful acts[, except that it may be shown by his examination or by the record of the judgment,] or
- 9 by evidence that he has been convicted of a crime.

January 26, 1979

Re: <u>Council on Court Procedures and Separation of Powers</u>

I. INTRODUCTION.

- A. Summarize statute creating Council.
- B. Statute not bill-presumption of validity of legislative enactment.
- C. Review by Governor's counsel -- Haldane memo.
- D. Unpublished opinion by Solicitor General.
- E. Summary of argument.
- II. THE POWER TO MAKE RULES GOVERNING PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE IN CIVIL CASES IS INHERENTLY A JUDICIAL POWER SUBJECT TO REASONABLE REGULATION BY THE LEGISLATURE.
 - A. Nature of the power to make rules governing practice and procedure.
 - Other states where rule-making power is vested in judiciary. Appendix 1 (44 states)
 - 2. Distinction between allocation of rule-making power by Constitution or cases, and allocation by legislature under a constitution with general separation of powers provisions. Appendix 1 (legislative delegation 22 states)
 - 3. In other jurisdictions where statutes delegate rulemaking power to the judiciary, under general separation of powers provision, cases hold that power is inherently a judicial power. Appendix 1 (Cases)
 - 4. Although inherently judicial, rule-making power is shared with the legislature -- in twilight zone between legislative and judicial branches. Appendix 1 (Cases)
 - 5. Weight of authority is that legislature has the final say as to exercise of rule-making power -- it can over-ride, regulate, and eliminate judicial power. Appendix 1 (Cases)

Staff Memorandum January 26, 1979 Page 2

- B. Nature of rule-making power under Oregon Constitution is identical with other jurisdictions. Article VII, Section 1 of Oregon Constitution.
 - 1. Oregon courts have inherent power to make rules of civil procedure. Coyote case, etc.

"Without the aid of any statutory regulation, it has been repeatedly decided that every court of record possesses the inherent power to establish and enforce rules for regulating the practice before it, not repugnant to any constitutional or legislative enactments. 'Under our system,' says Justice McArthur, in Carney v. Barrett, 'all courts have certain inherent powers, to be exercised for the purpose of methodically disposing of all cases brought before them. (4 Oregon, 471.) They can establish such rules in relation to the details of business as shall best serve this purpose, having proper regard for the rights of the parties litigant, as guaranteed and recognized by the constitution and the laws.'"

"It may, then, be safely affirmed, in the absence of any legislative authority, that the supreme court has the inherent right to prescribe rules for the orderly conduct of its business not contrary to law. But if this were questionable, the authority of 'every court of justice to provide for the orderly conduct of proceedings before it,' is expressly conferred by the statute. (Civil Code, sec. 884, sub. 3.)" 9 Or 122

- Court's inherent power to make rules of civil procedure is subject to control of legislature and inconsistent rule is overridden by statute. <u>Schnitzer</u> case, etc.
- 3. Oregon court has never said It does not have rulemaking power -- since legislature moved first to make general laws relating to civil procedure, it has limited activity to other types of rules.

- 4. Court has declined to act where legislature did not make a general rule. American Timber and Trading case.
- 5. Examples of rule-making power exercised under legislative delegation.
 - (1) Local Court Rules. ORS 1.160
 - (2) Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Appellate Rules. ORS 2.120, .130.
 - (3) Tax Court Rules. ORS 305.425
 - (4) Minor Court Rules. ORS 1.510-.530
- III. LEGISLATURE IS NOT DELEGATING POWER BUT VALIDLY REGULATING MANNER IN WHICH INHERENT JUDICIAL POWER TO MAKE RULES IS BEING EXERCISED.
 - A. All constitutional challenges to delegations of rule-making power by legislature, in jurisdictions with general separation of powers clause in constitution, have been rejected on the basis that the legislature is not delegating its power to make laws, but is directing judiciary in exercise of its inherent power. See Appendix 1 -- sample language from cases.
 - B. Provisions of Oregon Constitution limiting power of legislature to delegate its powers and cases relating to delegation of power to administrative agencies do not apply. Article 1, Section 21, and Article IV, Section 1.
 - C. Question is one of delegation of powers under Article III, Section 1 of Oregon Constitution, which sets up three branches of government and prevents officers of one branch from serving in another.
 - D. Question is whether legislature can direct judiciary to make rules thorugh agency such as Council, rather than direct Supreme Court to make rules.
 - 1. Delegation by legislature in most states is to state's highest court.
 - a. Case most similar to this is <u>Hanna v. Mitchell</u> and other New York cases under 1920 act which set up a constitutional convention to make rules -- convention included judges and attorneys (note, presently N.Y. Constitution has been changed and rule-making power specifically vested in judicial council). Courts held that

this was not violation of separation of powers; since legislature had dominant power to specify procedure, it could reasonably regulate how judiciary exercised its inherent power.

- b. Since most states vest rule-making power for all courts only in one supreme court, delegation has been challenged on grounds legislature cannot so regulate inherent power -- cases hold legislature can so regulate.
- c. In England, rules made by committee which includes lawyers but no separation of powers doctrine. New York procedure and California procedure, where judges groups make rules, are constitutional (not legislative) direction.
- d. Oregon Constitution permits legislature to reasonably control judiciary in exercise of inherent powers. Examples:
 - (1) Disqualification of judges. <u>U'Ren v. Bagley</u> case
 - (2) Discipline of attorneys. Sadler case
 - (3) Defining practice of law. Security Escrows case
 - (4) Admission to Bar. In re Application of Crum case
 - (5) Contempt power. Lenske case
 - (6) Also, without challenge legislature: (a) regulates administrative supervision of courts, (b) requires integrated bar, and (c) specifies functions and controls manner of selecting jurors -- all of which would be inherent judicial power.
 - (7) Power to regulate subject to limitation that cannot be exercised in manner that unreasonably burdens or interferes with judicial department -- Ramstead, Vandenberg, and Lenske cases -- prescribing effective way to make court rules should not do that.

- E. Under Oregon Constitution, reasonable regulation would include establishing separate agencies to exercise some element of inherent judicial power. Article VII, Section 1. Examples:
 - (1) Oregon State Bar. ORS Chapter 9
 - (2) Judicial Fitness Commission. ORS 1.410-.480
 - (3) Judicial Council (abolished by legislature).
 - (4) Judicial Conference. ORS 1.810-.840
 - (5) State and Circuit Court Administrators. ORS 8.070, 8.060
 - (6) Supreme Court Reporter. ORS 8.120 and 2.150
 - (7) Minor Court Rules Committee. ORS 1.510-1.530.
 - (8) Supreme Court Library and Multnomah County Law Library. ORS 9.760-9.850
- IV. SINCE COUNCIL IS A JUDICIAL AGENCY DELEGATED INHERENT JUDICIAL POWER BY THE LEGISLATURE, THERRE IS NO PROBLEM WITH JUDGES SERVING ON IT AND WITH APPOINTMENTS BY COURTS AND STATE BAR, WHICH BY STATUTE IS DEFINED AS PART OF THE JUDICIAL ARM. ORS 9.010
 - V. ULTIMATE QUESTION IN SEPARATION OF POWERS IS THAT DOCTRINE SEEKS TO ASSURE EFFICIENT AND RESPONSIBLE EXERCISE OF GOVERNMENTAL POWERS -- MOST RESOLUTIONS OF SEPARATIONS OF POWER PROBLEMS RELATED TO PROCEDUREAL RULE-MAKING HAVE BEEN IN FAVOR OF MOST EFFECTIVE METHOD.
 - 1. Council on Court Procedures is most efficient and responsible way to exercise rule-making power.
 - A. Efficiency.
 - i. Note, legislature decided it could not deal with complex system by piecemeal regulation.
 - ii. Courts are best equipped but not necessarily Supreme Court. Discuss Lesnick, Weinstein, ABA Standards, and other recommendations.
 - iii. Problems with highest court exercising authority.

No time -- advisory committees do it anyway.

Should not have <u>same agency make rules and pass on validity</u>.

Supreme Court removed from daily operation of trial court procedural system.

Legislative review is desirable but legislature rejecting rules of state's highest court <u>creates</u> <u>unseemly conflict</u> between legislature and <u>judiciary</u>.

- iv. Council solves those problems.
- B. Responsibility.
 - 1. Procedural safeguards.
 - a. Composition.
 - b. Rules of procedure.
 - c. Public hearings.
 - d. Notice to Bar.
 - e. Public meetings law.
 - 2. Legislative review before effective.

MEMORANDUM

T0:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM:

Fred Merrill

DATE:

January 9, 1979

Enclosed is a final copy of the rules and submission letters. These were filed on December 29, 1978. Also enclosed is a list of the members of the legislature who are also members of the Bar. If any of you know any of these people, it might help if you would talk to them and ask if they have any questions or reservations about the rules. We have sent copies of the rules and submission letters to all of them. As soon as the House and Senate Judiciary Committees are appointed, we will send copies to them, and I will send their names to you.

PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA FOR JANUARY 27, 1979.

State Senators

Walter F. Brown 16 S.W. Monticello Drive Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Vernon Cook 519 N.E. Fourth Gresham, OR 97030

Edward N. Fadeley 260 Sunset Drive Eugene, OR 97403 Jim Gardner 626 N.E. Mirimar Place Portland, OR 97232

Ted Kulongoski 30303 Maple Drive Junction City, OR 97448

Jan Wyers 1127 S.E. Lambert Portland, OR 97202

State Representatives

Dave Frohnmayer 2875 Baker Boulevard Eugene, OR 97403

Mark Gardner 880 N.W. 10th Avenue Hillsboro, OR 97123

Ben (Kip) Lombard, Jr. 133 Manzanita Ashland, OR 97520

Tom Mason 348 S.W. Bancroft Portland, OR 97201 Hardy Myers 132 N.E. Laurelhurst Portland, OR 97232

William D. Rutherford Rt. 2, Box 157A McMinnville, OR 97128

Norm Smith 8705 S.W. 75th Avenue Tigard, OR 97223

HARDY, MCEWEN, NEWMAN, FAUST & HANNA

(FOUNDED AS CAKE & CAKE-1886)

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

1408 STANDARD PLAZA

PORTLAND, OREGON 97204

TELEPHONE 226-7321

HERBERT C. HARDY
DONALD W. M«EWEN
JONATHAN U. NEWMAN
JOHN R. FAUST, JR.
JOSEPH J. HANNA, JR.
DEAN P. GISVOLD
ROBERT D. RANKIN
VICTOR W. VANKOTEN
JANICE M. STEWART
ROBERT G. BOEHMER
JEFFREY W. BOCK

December 22, 1978

RALPH .H, CAKE
(IB91-1973)
NICHOLAS JAUREGUY
(IB96-1974)

Office of the Speaker of the House State Capitol Salem, Oregon 97310

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are rules governing pleading, practice, and procedure of civil proceedings in the courts of this state as set forth in Rule 1, together with a list of statutory sections superseded thereby and amendments to other rules which appear as ORS sections. These rules and amendments were promulgated by the Oregon Council on Court Procedures, pursuant to ORS 1.735, and are submitted to the Legislative Assembly under that statute.

The statute provides that these rules and amendments will go into effect ninety days after the close of the session unless the Legislative Assembly, by statute, takes action to amend, repeal, or modify.

The Council was organized in September of 1977 and has met regularly through December 2, 1978, when the enclosed material was promulgated. Public hearings were held in Portland on January 28, 1978, and February 18, 1978, in Pendleton on February 4, 1978, and in Eugene on March 4, 1978, to solicit suggestions and comments. All meetings were conducted in compliance with the public meetings statute with notices sent to newspapers. Articles were also published in the Oregon State Bar Bulletin in December 1977 and May 1978 describing in detail the activities of the Council.

A tentative draft of these rules was released by the Council on September 15, 1978. Copies were immediately given to the Executive Committee of the Trial Practice Section of the Oregon State Bar. A lengthy summary of the proposed rules and notice of a public hearing on the rules and proposed final action was sent to all court clerks and administrators in the state, distributed to all registrants at the 1978 Oregon State Bar convention, sent to newspapers in the state, and printed in the October 1978 Bar Bulletin. The notice stated that the full text of the proposed rules would be furnished upon request. Approximately 230 copies

Office of the Speaker of the House Page 2 December 22, 1978

of the proposed rules were furnished to persons requesting copies. The proposed rules were also published in the Oregon Supreme Court Advance Sheets dated November 1, 1978.

The full text of the proposed rules were included in the program materials for the Oregon State Bar Continuing Legal Education programs on October 7 in Portland, October 13 in Eugene, October 14 in Medford, October 18 in Pendleton, October 20 in Bend, and on October 27 in Portland. Members of the Council spoke at these programs and solicited comments and suggestions. A presentation relating to the rules was also made to the Trial Practice Section meeting at the Oregon State Bar Convention.

At the public meeting on November 3, 1978, and meetings on November 18, 1978, and December 2, 1978, twenty-two attorneys presented oral statements relating to the prepared rules. Approximately twenty-five written comments were also received. Among those submitting comments and suggestions were a six-person committee appointed by the Oregon State Bar Trial Practice Section, the Oregon State Bar Procedure and Practice Committee, and a representative of the American Trial Lawyers Association. All comments and suggestions received were considered by the Council, and the proposed rules were modified in response to objections and suggestions presented in these comments.

I particularly call to your attention Rules 4, 5, and 6 of the submitted Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure. These rules deal with the subject of the exercise of jurisdiction over the person by courts. ORS 1.735 provides that the Council may promulgate rules "governing pleading, practice, and procedure in all civil proceedings in all courts of the state which shall not abridge, enlarge, or modify the substantive rights of any litigant." In the course of preparing these rules, the Council carefully researched the question of whether the rule-making power granted by ORS 1.735 included power to make rules governing jurisdiction over the person. From interpretation of similar language in other jurisdictions, the Council decided that a grant of rulemaking power in terms of pleading, practice, and procedure included power to make rules relating to jurisdiction over the person. Rules 4, 5, and 6 are, therefore, submitted to you as promulgated rules of the Council.

The Council recognizes that there has been no court interpretation of the language of ORS 1.735, and the question of scope of the rule-making power is ultimately one of legislative intent. If the legislature did not intend, by the language of ORS 1.735, to grant power to make rules relating to personal jurisdiction,

HARDY, MCEWEN, NEWMAN, FAUST & HANNA

Office of the Speaker of the House Page 3
December 22, 1978

this should be clarified by having the legislature take action to amend or repeal Rules 4, 5, and 6 or enact the substance of Rules 4, 5, and 6 as a statute.

If I can provide any further assistance or information in relation to these rules or the activities of the Council, please contact me. Professor Frederic Merrill of the University of Oregon Law School faculty has and is serving as the Executive Director of the Council. In that capacity he rendered outstanding service to the Council and is also prepared to render any assistance or information requested. For your convenience a conversion table, showing where the ORS sections superseded are covered by the rules, is enclosed. Our staff will be available to provide any assistance which you request in relation to the materials submitted.

Very truly yours,

Donald W. McEwen

Chairman

Council on Court Procedures

DWM: lam

Enclosures

HARDY, McEWEN, NEWMAN, FAUST & HANNA

(FOUNDED AS CAKE & CAKE-1886)

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

1408 STANDARD PLAZA

PORTLAND, OREGON 97204

TELEPHONE 226-7321 AREA CODE 503

DONALD W. McEWEN
JONATHAN U. NEWMAN
JOHN R. FAUST, JR.
JOSEPH J. HANNA, JR.
DEAN P. GISVOLD
ROBERT D. RANKIN
VICTOR W. VANKOTEN
JANICE M. STEWART
ROBERT G. BOEHMER
JEFFREY W. BOCK

HERBERT C. HARDY

December 22, 1978

RALPH H, CAKE (1891-1973) NICHOLAS JAUREGUY (1896-1974)

Office of the President of the Senate State Capitol Salem, Oregon 97310

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are rules governing pleading, practice, and procedure of civil proceedings in the courts of this state as set forth in Rule 1, together with a list of statutory sections superseded thereby and amendments to other rules which appear as ORS sections. These rules and amendments were promulgated by the Oregon Council on Court Procedures, pursuant to ORS 1.735, and are submitted to the Legislative Assembly under that statute.

The statute provides that these rules and amendments will go into effect ninety days after the close of the session unless the Legislative Assembly, by statute, takes action to amend, repeal, or modify.

The Council was organized in September of 1977 and has met regularly through December 2, 1978, when the enclosed material was promulgated. Public hearings were held in Portland on January 28, 1978, and February 18, 1978, in Pendleton on February 4, 1978, and in Eugene on March 4, 1978, to solicit suggestions and comments. All meetings were conducted in compliance with the public meetings statute with notices sent to newspapers. Articles were also published in the Oregon State Bar Bulletin in December 1977 and May 1978 describing in detail the activities of the Council.

A tentative draft of these rules was released by the Council on September 15, 1978. Copies were immediately given to the Executive Committee of the Trial Practice Section of the Oregon State Bar. A lengthy summary of the proposed rules and notice of a public hearing on the rules and proposed final action was sent to all court clerks and administrators in the state, distributed to all registrants at the 1978 Oregon State Bar convention, sent to newspapers in the state, and printed in the October 1978 Bar Bulletin. The notice stated that the full text of the proposed rules would be furnished upon request. Approximately 230 copies

Office of the President of the Senate Page 2 December 22, 1978

of the proposed rules were furnished to persons requesting copies. The proposed rules were also published in the Oregon Supreme Court Advance Sheets dated November 1, 1978.

The full text of the proposed rules were included in the program materials for the Oregon State Bar Continuing Legal Education programs on October 7 in Portland, October 13 in Eugene, October 14 in Medford, October 18 in Pendleton, October 20 in Bend, and on October 27 in Portland. Members of the Council spoke at these programs and solicited comments and suggestions. A presentation relating to the rules was also made to the Trial Practice Section meeting at the Oregon State Bar Convention.

At the public meeting on November 3, 1978, and meetings on November 18, 1978, and December 2, 1978, twenty-two attorneys presented oral statements relating to the prepared rules. Approximately twenty-five written comments were also received. Among those submitting comments and suggestions were a six-person committee appointed by the Oregon State Bar Trial Practice Section, the Oregon State Bar Procedure and Practice Committee, and a representative of the American Trial Lawyers Association. All comments and suggestions received were considered by the Council, and the proposed rules were modified in response to objections and suggestions presented in these comments.

I particularly call to your attention Rules 4, 5, and 6 of the submitted Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure. These rules deal with the subject of the exercise of jurisdiction over the person by courts. ORS 1.735 provides that the Council may promulgate rules "governing pleading, practice, and procedure in all civil proceedings in all courts of the state which shall not abridge, enlarge, or modify the substantive rights of any litigant." In the course of preparing these rules, the Council carefully researched the question of whether the rule-making power granted by ORS 1.735 included power to make rules governing jurisdiction over the person. From interpretation of similar language in other jurisdictions, the Council decided that a grant of rule-making power in terms of pleading, practice, and procedure included power to make rules relating to jurisdiction over the person. Rules 4, 5, and 6 are, therefore, submitted to you as promulgated rules of the Council.

The Council recognizes that there has been no court interpretation of the language of ORS 1.735, and the question of scope of the rule-making power is ultimately one of legislative intent. If the legislature did not intend, by the language of ORS 1.735, to grant power to make rules relating to personal jurisdiction,

Office of the President of the Senate Page 3 December 22, 1978

this should be clarified by having the legislature take action to amend or repeal Rules 4, 5, and 6 or enact the substance of Rules 4, 5, and 6 as a statute.

If I can provide any further assistance or information in relation to these rules or the activities of the Council, please contact me. Professor Frederic Merrill of the University of Oregon Law School faculty has and is serving as the Executive Director of the Council. In that capacity he rendered outstanding service to the Council and is also prepared to render any assistance or information requested. For your convenience a conversion table, showing where the ORS sections superseded are covered by the rules, is enclosed. Our staff will be available to provide any assistance which you request in relation to the materials submitted.

Very truly yours,

Donald W. McEwen

Chairman

Council on Court Procedures

DWM: lam

Enclosures

ORS SECTIONS SUPERSEDED

CONVERSION TABLE

ORS to Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure

CHAPTER 11 - 2 11.020	ains A.	ir		
11,020 2		ir		
11.030	В.		n OR	lS.
CHAPTER 13				
13.010 None	е			
13.020	Н.			
13.030				
13.041 27 /	۹.			
13.051 27 E	3.			
13.060	Ι.			
13.070	J.			
13.080				
13.090				
13.110 29 A	١.			
13.120				
13.130				
13.140 28 A	١.			
13.150 28 A	١.			
13.161				
13.170				
13.180 22 D				
13.190 29 D				
13.210				
13.220 32 A	., B		and	С.
13.230 32 D				

<u>ORS</u>	ORCP
13.240	32 E.
13.250	32 F.
13.260	32 G.
13.270	32 H.
13.280	32 I.
13.290	32 J.
13.300	32 K.
13.310	Remains as statute
13.320	32 L.
13.330	32 M.
13.340	32 M.
13.350	32 M.
13.360	32 M.
13.370	32 M.
13.380	32 N.
13.390	32 0.
13.400 and 13.410	Remain as statutes
CHAPTER 14	
14.010	4 A. and F.: 5: 6
14.020	- I.
14.030	Remains as statute
14.035	4 C. through N.
14.040 through 14.270	
CHAPTER 15	
15.010	2
15.020	3 and 7 B.
15.030	6
15.040	7 C.
15.060	7 E. and F.
15.070	7 B.
15.080	7 D.
15.085	None

<u>ORS</u>	ORCP
15.090	None
15.100	Remains in ORS
15.110	7 C., D. and F.
15.120	7 D.
15.130	7 D.
15.140	7 C. and D.
15.150	7 D.
15.160	7 F.
15.170	7 D.
15.180	7 D.
15.190	4 and 7
15.200	None
15.210	7 A. and 22 D.
15.220	7 C.
CHAPTER 16	
16.010	2
16.020	2
16.030	13 B.
16.040	15 A.
16.050	15 D.
16.060	16 A.
16.070	17
16.080	17
16.090	16 B. and 21 E.
16.100	21 E.
16.110	21 D.
16.120	12 A.
16.130	21 B.
16.140	9 A. and 21 G.
16.150	21 G.; 23 D. and E.
16.210	18
16.221	24
16.240	13 B. and 19 C.

<u>ORS</u>	ORCP
16.250	21 E., F. and G.
16.260	21 A. and 30
16.270	21 A.
16.280	21 A., F. and G.
16.290	19 and 21 A.
16.305	22 A.
16.315	22 B., C. and E.
16.320	21 E.
16.325	13 B. and 21 A.
16.330	21 F. and G.
16.340	21 G.
16.360	23 G.
16.370	23 A.
16.380	23 D.
16.390	23 A. and B.
16,400	23 D. and E.
16.410	23 F.
16.420	15 C.
16.430	9 A.
16.460	None
16.470	Remains in ORS
16.480	20 A.
16.490	20 B.
16.500	20 C.
16.510	20 D.
16.530	20 E.
16.540	None
16.610	None
16.620	19 C.
16.630	23 B.
16.640	23 B.
16.650	23 B.
16.660	12 B.
16.710	14 A.
16.720	None

<u>ORS</u>	ORCP
16.730	None
16.740	None
16.760	8 A.
16.765	None
16.770	9 A.
16.780	9 B.
16.790	9 B.
16.800	9 B.
16.810	9 A.
16.820	7 D.
16.830	8 C.
16.840	8 D.
16.850	None
16.860	9 D.
16.870	None
16.880	None
CHAPTER 17	
17.005	51 A.
17.010	None
17.015	None
17.020	None
17.025	None
17.030	51 B. and C.
17.033	50
17.035	51 C.
17.040	51 D.
17.045	None
17.050	52
17.055	54 E.
17.065 through 17.085	Remain as statutes
17.105	1.000
	56
17.110	56 57 B.
17.110 17.115	

<u>ORS</u>	ORCP
17.120	57 D.
17.125	57 D.
17.130	57 D.
17.135	57 D.
17.140	57 D.
17.145	57 D.
17.150	57 D.
17.155	57 D.
17.160	57 D.
17.165	None
17.170	None
17.175	None
17.180	None
17.185	57 E.
17.190	57 F.
17.205	58 A.
17.210	58 B.
17.215	None
17.220	58 C.
17.225	58 D.
17.230	Remains as statute
17.235	None
17.240	None
17.245	None, except last sentence in 59 B.
17.250	Remains as statute
17.255	59 B.
17.305	59 C.
17.310	59 C.
17.315	Remains as statute
17.320	59 C.
17.325	59 D.
17.330	59 F.
17.335	59 F.
17.340	None

<u>ORS</u>	ORCP
17.345	59 G.
17.350	59 G.
17.355	59 G.
17.360	59 G.
17.405	61 A. and B.
17.410	61 D.
17.415	61 B. and C.
17.420	61 C.
17.425	61 A.
17.431	62 A. through E.
17.435	64 C.
17.441	62 F.
17.505	59 Н.
17.510	59 H.
17.515	59 H.
17.605	64 A.
17.610	64 B.
17.615	64 F.
17.620	64 D.
17.625	64 E.
17.630	64 G.
17.705 through 17.765	Remain in ORS
17.990	Remains as statute
CHAPTER 18	
18.010	Remains in ORS
18.020	2
18.030 through 18.100	Remain in ORS
18.105	47
18.110 through 18.125	Remain in ORS
18.140	63
18.160	Remains in ORS
18.210	54 A., B. and C.
18.220	None
•	

<u>ORS</u>		ORCP
18.230	••••••	54 A., B., and C.; 60
18.240	••••••	None
18.250	•••••	None
18.260	•••••	54 B.
18.310	•••••	2
18.320 through 18.510	••••••	Remain in ORS
CHAPTER 41		
41.010 through 41.610		Remain as statutes
41.616		36 B.; 43 A. and B.
41.617		46 A. and B.
41.618		36 C.
41.620		43 C.
41.622		36 B.
41.626		45 and 46 C.
41.631		36 C. and 46 A.
41.635		36 B.
41.640 through 41.910	******	Remain as statutes
41.915		55 H.
41.920		55 H.
41.925	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	55 H.
41.930		Remains às statute
41.935	•••••	55 H.
41.940	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	55 H.
41.945	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Remains as statute
41.950 through 41.980	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Remain as statutes
CHAPTER 44		
44.010 through 44.095	•••••	Remain as statutes
44.110	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	55 A.
44.120	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	55 C.
44.130		55 C.

<u>ORS</u>	ORCP
44.140	55 D.
44.150	Remains as statute
44.160	55 D.
44.171	55 E.
44.180	None
44.190	55 G.; 46 D.; 39 F
44.200	None
44.210	None
44.220	None
44.230	39 B. and 55 E.
44.240 through 44.540	Remain as statutes
44.610	44 A.
44.620	44 B. and C.
44.630	44 D.
44.640	44 B.
CHAPTER 45	
45.010 and 45.020	Remain in ORS
45.030	39
45.040 and 45.050	Remain in ORS
45.110	None
45.120	None
45.130	Remains in ORS
45.140	None
45.151	39 A.
45.161	38 A. and 39 C.
45.171	39 D. and F.
45.185	39 E.
45.190	46 D: and 55 F.
45.200	39 H.
45.230	39 G.
45.240	39 G.
45.250 through 45.270	Remain as statutes

<u>ORS</u>	ORCP
45.280	41 C.
45.320	38 B.
45.325	40
45.330	38 B.
45.340	40
45.350	None
45.360	None
45.370	None
45.410	37 A.
45.420	37 A.
45.430	37 A.
45.440	37 A.
45.450	None, see: ORS 45.250 through 45.270
45.460	41
45.470	37 A.
45.510 through 45.630	Remain as statutes
45.910	38 C.
MISCELLANEOUS SECTIONS	
20.030	2
23.010	2
29.040	None
29.510	2
30.350	17
35.225	2
46.110	7
46.155	63 and 64
46.160	54; 59; 60 and 64
174.120	10
441.810	44 E.
52.150	7 D.
52.160	7 D.

MEMORANDUM

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: Fred Merrill

RE: AGENDA FOR THE NEXT BIENNIUM

DATE: January 15, 1979

I need to know where to begin further research and rule drafting.

A. GENERAL AREAS TO BE INCLUDED IN OREGON RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

The following is a list of substantial areas in ORS which probably should be incorporated into the Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure:

- 1. Referees. ORS 17.705 through 17.765.
- 2. Judgments; form, entry, and default. ORS 18.010 through 18.140.
- 3. Relief from judgments. ORS 18.160.
- 4. Docketing and liens. ORS 18.310.
- 5. Costs and disbursements. Ch. 20.
- 6. Bonds and deposits. Ch. 22.
- 7. Enforcement of judgments. Ch. 23.
- 8. Confession of judgments. Ch. 26.
- 9. Submission of controversies without action. Ch. 27.
- 10. Declaratory judgments. Ch. 28.
- 11. Provisional remedies. Ch. 29.
- 12. Receivership. Ch. 31.
- 13. Injunctions. Ch. 32.

All of the above could be converted to general rules and logically would follow the rules which we have completed. I think the areas relating to judgments, enforcement of judgments, provisional remedies, and costs and disbursements should be considered first. The budget for the next biennium contains \$5,000.00 for contract drafting. I have received the attached proposal from Frank R. Lacy. I think Lacy knows more about remedies than anyone in the state and would do a good job. I could then begin costs and disbursements, including the pleading and proving attorneys fees problems.

B. OTHER PROCEDURAL AREAS IN ORS

The following are other areas of procedure in ORS which probably would not fit in the general Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure. At some point, these should be examined to determine if they are consistent with the rules or need some amendment as ORS sections.

- 1. Fees. Ch. 21.
- 2. Special proceedings. In Ch. 33 and scattered throughout ORS.
- 3. Writs. Ch. 34.
- 4. Eminent domain. Ch. 35.
- 5. Small claims procedure in Ch. 46.55.
- 6. Lien foreclosures. Ch. 88.
- 7. Real property actions. Ch. 105.
- 8. Dissolution. Ch. 107.
- 9. Filiation and adoptions. Ch. 109.

Memorandum to Council Members Page 3 January 15, 1979

Note, Chapter 19, including appellate procedure, is beyond Council rule-making power; Chapter 24, the Uniform Enforcement of Judgments Act, probably should not be changed unless the Uniform Act is changed.

C. OTHER NON-PROCEDURAL AREAS IN ORS

The following probably would not be directly subject to Council rule-making power, but the Council may wish to review them and recommend legislation.

- 1. Venue.
- 2. Statutes of limitations; uniform limitations.
- Jury selection procedure.
- 4. Disqualification of judges.

D. SPECIFIC ITEMS

The following are more specific areas which the Council decided to defer until this biennium or which have been suggested to the Council. They are not listed in order of priority but some of these should be done.

- 1. Minor court rules.
- 2. Interrogatories.
- 3. Intervention.
- 4. Statutes relating to service on state officials.
- 5. Process.
- 6. Class actions.
- 7. Order of trial in third party cases.

Memorandum to Council Members Page 4 January 15, 1979

- 8. Order of trial for mixed law-equity cases.
- 9. Pretrial conferences.
- 10. Procedure in contribution claims. (See 1978 OSB recommendations).
- 11. Local court rules.
- 12. Tax foreclosure; service of notice.
- 13. Stockholder derivative suits; procedure.
- 14. Immunity from service of summons or process.
- 15. Pleading and proving attorneys fees.
- 16. Service of copy of judgment on opposing parties.
- 17. Account stated; ORS 16.470.
- 18. Prejudgment interest from the date of an occurrence.
- 19. Notice requirements of public agency statute.
- 20. Raise interest rate on judgments to 8%.

E. PUBLIC MEETINGS

Under ORS 1.740, the Council is required to hold one public hearing "during the period between legislative sessions" in each congressional district. We can decide how to schedule these hearings next fall.



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE CAPITOL SALEM, OREGON 97310

January 22, 1979

Fredric R. Merrill
Professor of Law
University of Oregon
School of Law
Eugene, Oregon 97403

Re: Legal memorandum concerning constitutionality of H.B. 2316

Dear Fred:

Enclosed are the documents in the veto files concerning the possible veto of H.B. 2316 on constitutional grounds. I could find no other bills dealing with matters of civil court procedure, either in the 1977 or the 1975 session.

Thanks again for the copy of the Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure.

Sincerely,

Jim Russell

JR:nw

REVISED SCHEDULE FOR JOINT HOUSE AND SENATE HEARINGS

As most of you are aware, the Committee switched the meeting date from Tuesday to Thursday to secure a larger room. The following is the revised schedule. All meetings are at 1:00 p.m. in Hearing Room A, First Floor of the Senate wing in the Capitol.

Thursday, February 15, 1979

Harriet Krause Dick Bodyfelt

Thursday, February 22, 1979

Judge Buttler Jim Garrett Laird Kirkpatrick

Thursday, March 1, 1979

Judge Casciato Darst Atherly Thursday, March 8, 1979

Carl Burnham Mike King Charles Paulson Judge Tompkins

Thursday, March 15, 1979

Judge Dale Judge Sloper Sid Brockley

Thursday, March 22, 1979

James O'Hanlon Don McEwen

Anyone else who wishes to attend is, of course, welcome. The presentation by Council members at the first meeting was extremely effective. If you have a conflict at the scheduled time, please let me know.

Our budget was approved by the full Ways and Means Committee on Friday, February 9th, and has been sent to the House and Senate floor.

FRED MERRILL