

BAIL BOND BOARD MEETING

MARCH 20TH, 2025

THOSE PRESENT: Judge Raquel West
Judge Clint Woods
Judge Craig Lively
Valencia Simpson
Becky Bertrand
Kellie Holmes
Glenda Segura
Rhonda Brode
Tom Roebuck
Dustin Galmor
Quentin Price
Haylee Fournier
Tim Funchess
Leslie Hughes
Pat Knauth
Captain Aaron Morris
Al Reed
Chief Shauberger

1 JUDGE WEST: I'm calling the meeting to
2 order. I'm going to call the meeting to order. Thank
3 you. All right. So we've kind of got a few extra
4 things on our agenda today, so I want to try to get
12:31PM 5 through the easy stuff. The minutes from last month
6 were E-mailed out some time ago. Has everybody had a
7 chance to review those? We'll need a motion and a vote
8 to approve those.

9 MR. PRICE: I move to approve.

12:31PM 10 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Second.

11 JUDGE WEST: I've got a motion by Quentin.
12 Second by John. Sorry, first names, didn't mean to do
13 that. All those in favor?

14 (ALL RESPONDED.)

12:32PM 15 JUDGE WEST: Any opposed? All right.
16 That's -- they are approved. District attorney's office
17 report.

18 MR. PRICE: Y'all actually have a report.

19 JUDGE WEST: I know.

12:32PM 20 MR. PRICE: Yeah. So -- well, thanks to
21 MIS, so they've got us a report now.

22 JUDGE WEST: Awesome. Any questions on
23 that report for anybody?

24 MR. PRICE: Somebody besides --

12:32PM 25 JUDGE WEST: I'm sure Mr. Knauth can answer

1 all the questions on that report. I miss y'all. I
2 haven't seen you forever.

3 MR. KNAUTH: I miss you too. Glad to be
4 here. Thank you.

12:32PM 5 JUDGE WEST: Are there any applications or
6 renewals?

7 MS. BERTRAND: We do. And my apologies, I
8 sent it out this morning. Al Reed is actually renewing
9 his application. And let me explain. Al is inactive in
10 our system. But he wanted to renew his application to
11 see all of his bonds write off his collateral. But he
12 cannot write bonds. He just -- but he was up for
13 renewal. But everything is in order.

14 JUDGE WEST: All right. We'll need a
15 motion.

16 MR. PRICE: I move to approve.

17 JUDGE WEST: We've got a motion.

18 MR. FUNCHES: Second.

19 JUDGE WEST: Got a second. All those -- is
12:33PM 20 there any other discussions? All those in favor?

21 (ALL RESPONDED.)

22 JUDGE WEST: Any opposed? All right. That
23 is approved. Any complaints?

24 MS. HOLMES: No, ma'am.

12:33PM 25 JUDGE WEST: Treasurer's report.

1 MR. FUNCHES: I have passed the collateral
2 report out. Everything is up-to-date except for Al
3 Reed. He's actually increased his collateral. His
4 total 1,479,971 now.

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5 MS. BERTRAND: Well, not -- officially, now
6 he has -- since his application was approved, his
7 collateral did increase. Significantly, it was an
8 increase of just over 118,000. Since the application
9 has been approved, I prematurely sent it out to those
10 that needed to know. I will officially send it out
11 after the meeting and adjust it in the system.

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12 MR. FUNCHES: Let me know.

13 JUDGE WEST: All done? Good. Okay.
14 Anything else from our treasurer on your report?

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15 MR. FUNCHES: (Shakes head.)

16 JUDGE WEST: All right. Thank you. Any
17 request for release of property or CDs?

18 MS. SEGURA: Yeah. Al Reed. And he is in
19 good standing.

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20 JUDGE WEST: All right. There is a request
21 to release \$15,000 cashier check. It's two different.
22 It's a 10,000 and 5,000 for Al Reed. We'll need a
23 motion on that one.

24 JUDGE LIVELY: A motion, Lively.

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25 JUDGE WEST: We've good a motion by Judge

1 Lively.

2 COUNTY CLERK: Second, County Clerk.

3 JUDGE WEST: Second from the county clerk.

4 Any other discussion on that? All those in favor?

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5 (ALL RESPONDED.)

6 JUDGE WEST: Any opposed? All right.

7 That's approved. Sign that one. Is this for me to
8 sign?

9 MS. SEGURA: Yes, ma'am.

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10 JUDGE WEST: Pass it to the sir to sign.

11 You paying attention over there, sir? No.

12 JUDGE WOODS: I agree, though.

13 JUDGE WEST: Auditor's report.

14 MS. BRODE: First, Tim will get that letter
15 so that he can do the debtor's form, et cetera, yes, so
16 the check can get cut?

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17 JUDGE WEST: Yeah.

18 MS. BRODE: Okay. I had just a couple of
19 things. I've already handed them out. When running the
20 inactive bail bondsmen, I saw that Josh Stewart didn't
21 have any bonds left out. So I've asked Becky to review
22 that to see if we can release his collateral. And I
23 needed an update from the D.A.'s office about Michael
24 Baboric (phonetic) because he was never added into the
12:36PM 25 system.

1 MR. PRICE: He has no collateral.

2 MS. BRODE: He has no collateral, no. I'm
3 talking --

4 MR. PRICE: Okay.

12:36PM 5 MS. BRODE: That was Josh Stewart. I
6 needed D.A. update about Michael Baboric.

7 MR. PRICE: And I will get you one of
8 those. There is nothing in the file. After income tax
9 season, I'll send out a request for an update on
12:36PM 10 post-judgment discovery, so. But I don't expect
11 anything.

12 MS. BRODE: My apologies for late invoices
13 everyone. You got an E-mail today. I sort of forgot.
14 You still get two weeks from today.

12:36PM 15 JUDGE WEST: The next item is discussion
16 about bail bondsmen getting badges. There has still not
17 been a meeting. I'm still -- I'm not in charge of
18 setting that meeting. I'm just encouraging it to
19 happen. That's all I can do. I'll let you know when
12:37PM 20 and if there's a meeting, and what comes of that as soon
21 as we have it for the security committee.

22 So the next item is to discuss incomplete
23 addresses on surety bonds submitted to the jail. Where
24 did -- who had this?

12:37PM 25 MS. BERTRAND: This was a request from the

1 jail that they're receiving bonds that aren't complete,
2 that don't have the information when it's coming from a
3 bondsmen.

12:37PM 4 JUDGE WEST: So I guess really if -- I
5 don't know that there needs to be a lot of discussion
6 other than for everyone who is here, if y'all will
7 please make sure that they're all filled out, make sure
8 all of your staff knows, if you will get Keith or y'all
9 can send an E-mail out, maybe just to kind of remind
12:38PM 10 everybody in -- put that out there to everybody be
11 diligent about filling everything out all the way.

12 MS. MARTIN: Right. I'm Lisa. When they
13 stop giving us addresses, they were providing a
14 defendant's address. When they stop, the jail asks,
12:38PM 15 what am I supposed to put? They said just leave it
16 blank. So we leave it blank. Now we've got the E-mail
17 stating that at least to be on, which is fine. On
18 number two, the address and phone number.

19 UNKNOWN VOICE: The E-mail just said
12:38PM 20 address.

21 MS. MARTIN: You mean address and phone
22 number on bond?

23 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Uh-huh.

24 MR. PRICE: And the E-mail address, too, if
12:38PM 25 you have it. That's always good.

1 MS. MARTIN: We don't have that. The
2 defendant in jail, we don't -- sometimes don't even have
3 the defendant's address. I had a woman the other day
4 she was getting friend out. She didn't know her
12:38PM 5 friend's address. Like so what do you do?

6 JUDGE WEST: I guess from the jail's
7 perspective, what are y'all thoughts on if they don't
8 have access to that address until they get them out.

9 MS. MARTIN: Can the jail write the address
12:39PM 10 on there. Write in E-mail address and the TRN number.

11 CHIEF SHAUBERGER. But we provide the
12 defendant's address?

13 CAPTAIN MORRIS: No, sir. The thing about
14 the address thing is you're writing a bond for a person
12:39PM 15 that's getting out of jail. We want to have all the
16 information before you write the bond. Now I don't know
17 who is contacting who as far as who is contacting the
18 bondsmen saying, hey, I want this bondsmen to get me out
19 of jail. But the information that's needed should be
12:39PM 20 going from the person at that jail to the person they
21 contacting to get in touch with the bondsmen getting
22 them out of jail and the information will set a bond.

23 MS. MARTIN: That's not always possible.

24 CAPTAIN MORRIS: I know that.

12:39PM 25 MS. MARTIN: Sometimes the defendant -- the

1 person in jail doesn't even talk to the person getting
2 them out. They just --

3 CAPTAIN MORRIS: And sometimes the person
4 in jail do not want to give us information also.

12:40PM 5 JUDGE WEST: I think ultimately --

6 CAPTAIN MORRIS: You getting them out jail.

7 MS. MARTIN: I don't have the -- sometimes
8 I don't have the address.

9 JUDGE WEST: Well, I mean, I would think
12:40PM 10 the only thing you could do is tell that person that
11 comes to you: We're not going to go get them out until
12 you figure out an address.

13 MS. RITENOUR: I can tell you what we do.
14 I don't -- let's say my mom went. I don't know her
12:40PM 15 address, right? But I'm her daughter. We just use the
16 cosigner's address and phone number if we absolutely
17 have to. And then if something -- if the county needs
18 something later on -- because I can understand the jail
19 end of it. When you have ten bonding companies calling
12:40PM 20 on the same person, it gets old. I mean, they're
21 already having to give us a ton of information already.

22 So we don't have a problem with them coming out. As
23 long as it's not mandatory that the addresses match
24 before the system shows, we can fill it out with a
12:40PM 25 cosigner input.

1 JUDGE WEST: Well, some way for someone to
2 get in touch with someone that knows that person, just
3 don't leave it blank.

4 MR. PRICE: Your Honor, there is actually
12:41PM 5 more important than that, according to the CCP, we're --
6 we're to send notice to the address of the defendant on
7 the bond if the bond is forfeited.

8 MR. FREIGA: That's the issue. Because the
9 bond states the address of the defendant. But like what
12:41PM 10 he said, that's the problem with the cosigner because
11 they're not actually --

12 MR. PRICE: Right.

13 MR. FREIGA: Sometimes unfortunately the
14 cosigner -- we think is a great cosigner, but they're
12:41PM 15 really not. That may not get to them.

16 JUDGE WEST: Well, that, I don't know what
17 the answer is. It doesn't sound like --

18 MR. GALMOR: Is the reason that the
19 defendant -- if it's blank, is there a reason the
12:41PM 20 defendant can't fill that out before they're released at
21 the release department. I mean, they're right there
22 with all the paper, aren't they?

23 MS. RITENOUR: They have to sign the bond.

24 MR. GALMOR: If they have to sign why can't
12:41PM 25 they fill in the blank, if it's blank or they can't get

1 released?

2 JUDGE WEST: I mean --

3 CAPTAIN MORRIS: We were told that we can't
4 touch anything on the bond. We can't touch any numbers.
12:41PM 5 We can't make any adjustment on the bond once they come
6 through that window. All we get to do is have the
7 inmate sign the bond, and we notarize the signature.

8 JUDGE WEST: So you were told by your --

9 CAPTAIN MORRIS: That was brought up right
12:42PM 10 here in one of these meetings that they don't want us
11 touching anything on the bond anymore because that's the
12 court document. Right? So we do that.

13 MS. MARTIN: Excuse me. That was mainly
14 the county, the bond amount, the charge -- you know, the
12:42PM 15 real vital things on the bond, the bond amount, the
16 county, case number.

17 JUDGE LIVELY: Wouldn't that be
18 administerial action the defendant filling in his
19 address?

12:42PM 20 JUDGE WEST: I think if the defendant fills
21 it in himself.

22 MS. RITENOUR: Back in the -- way back when
23 when we had access to the jail screen, that's how we
24 filled out our bond. It listed the phone number, the
12:42PM 25 address of the client. We can see the history of

1 everybody. It kind still -- even with Odyssey, we're
2 still kind of going in blind half the time especially if
3 it's a new case or you can't see -- if we can't see
4 anything or if they get arrested on a warrant. Until
12:43PM 5 it's opened up to us, we still can't -- I don't know
6 if -- I mean, you wouldn't want to attach people's
7 address for everybody to see. But there was a way for
8 us to get into the -- have some of that. It would be
9 easier to pull it directly off the same screen, I guess
10 the -- or something.

11 JUDGE WEST: So do we need to maybe ask MIS
12 about?

13 MS. HELM: We can't do it in Odyssey.
14 We've given them the form. It's really the only thing
12:43PM 15 we have to at this point.

16 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

17 MS. HELM: Odyssey is an application. It's
18 not website. So it has to be loaded on the computer,
19 and is way too complicated for us to try to do that for
12:43PM 20 every --

21 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

22 MR. GALMOR: Jail docket in Odyssey.

23 MS. HELM: The jail uses Odyssey. But it's
24 an application. But it's not just a website that you go
12:44PM 25 to. So like if the bondsmen, if we gave them a log onto

1 Odyssey. They would have to download the application.
2 And then that causes us to have to troubleshoot every
3 time it doesn't work on their own -- it's too much work
4 on our --

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5 JUDGE WEST: All right. There is two
6 options. That -- right?

7 MS. HELM: I'm sorry. We cannot do that.
8 We already have a lot of angle --

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9 JUDGE WEST: All right. So I see we have
10 two options. One option is we leave it up to the
11 bondsmen and we may or may not get the right address.
12 Two, we ask the jail to consider letting the actual
13 defendant fill that in when they sign it. How opposed
14 to that are -- is the jail to letting the defendant fill
15 in their own address?

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16 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: I'm not opposed to it.
17 I mean, look at the operations and make sure it's not
18 going affect to us.

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19 MS. FOURNIER: If I may, Article 17.08 says
20 that the bond be -- that it must be the signed by name
21 or marked by the principle and surety, if any, each of
22 whom shall write there in his mailing address. So...

23 JUDGE WEST: It actually requires that they
24 write it in. Look at that, you get the actual law.

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25 MS. SEGURA: Here lately, we've been

1 getting a lot of bonds with no addresses.

2 JUDGE WEST: So let's do this. Let's leave
3 it on the agenda. And then I would ask, Chief, if you
4 will get with Captain Morris, if y'all will get together
12:45PM 5 and see what the law is required for them to write it
6 in. Let's take a look at that law. If it is then we're
7 going to have to figure out how to let them do that. In
8 the meantime, if y'all would just not leave any blanks
9 at least have the surety or some address on there and
12:45PM 10 don't leave a blank. Because that's definitely not
11 where we need to go. And then we'll leave it on the
12 agenda and where you got -- what we can figure out for
13 the next meeting. Good?

14 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: That will be fine.

12:45PM 15 JUDGE WEST: Next issue is some -- there
16 have been a couple of things that have come up with
17 defendants being re-arraigned on the same charge. And
18 we've got Mark here to help us out with that. So we can
19 help figure out what the jail -- I think if I'm right
12:46PM 20 what we're talking about is someone comes in on an
21 arrest pre-indictment. They get arraigned the next
22 morning. They get out on accusation. The case then
23 gets indicted. They get rearrested. They go back in
24 front of the magistrate, which could be a different
12:46PM 25 magistrate. And so then there's a bond amount that was

1 set by the original accusation time magistrate and then
2 another magistrate comes behind and changes that, which
3 is causing some issues.

4 JUDGE DEROUEN: And it's just going to be
12:46PM 5 there because there is nothing that can be done. We
6 have to see them. Even if it's the same judge, we don't
7 even go back and look what the accusation bond amount
8 is. What we're looking at is their criminal history, to
9 see if anything has change, did they pick up another

12:47PM 10 charge between the accusation and this new -- they're
11 actually -- the information has been filed or an
12 indicted. It's on misdemeanor end and the felonies. So
13 we're looking at that. Then, of course, it's the
14 process of getting them a court appointed attorney where

12:47PM 15 they possibly may not have wanted one during an
16 accusation, but now they want one or vice versa. They
17 said they wanted one during accusation. And then they
18 said, no, I've hired them. They may have a letter of
19 rep with a -- follows the case that's in system. So

12:47PM 20 it's just a nature of SP 6, and using the public safety
21 report and not -- because it starts to look like preset
22 bonds if you just using the bond from six months ago or
23 on misdemeanor, say, a month or two months ago. So the
24 jail had to adapt to that. It was a big change. I know
12:47PM 25 everybody is, like, you came along he changed all this

1 stuff up.

2 JUDGE WEST: Senate Bill 6 changed it all.

3 JUDGE DEROUEN: I get it. She and captain
4 have understood the process. They've changed their way
12:48PM 5 of thinking for a lot of years of how things were done.
6 And there is -- I see no way around that issue.

7 JUDGE WEST: Well, yeah, that sounds like
8 to me as well.

9 MR. GALMOR: Isn't the problem accusation?

12:48PM 10 I mean, why we're --

11 JUDGE WEST: We're not talking about
12 accusations today. Thank you, Mr. Galmor, for your
13 input.

14 MR. GALMOR: That wouldn't be going back.

12:48PM 15 JUDGE WEST: Do you know how many times
16 we've talked about that? Anyway we're going to move on
17 to the next item. Which -- let's see. Okay. So this
18 is to discuss an issue with communicating the bond
19 conditions to the sureties. And how -- when someone
12:48PM 20 gets and I don't -- I mean, none of us probably know the
21 process better than you that's why we have you here on
22 this one too. So when a bond condition or the jail
23 putting those bond conditions in the computer in
24 Odyssey. How are those then told or given to the
12:49PM 25 defendant and/or the surety?

1 JUDGE DEROUEN: Well, the defendant knows
2 as soon as they're magistrated what their bond
3 conditions are. That's sent into the jail along with
4 their bail amounts. The jail puts that in immediately.
12:49PM 5 The amount and the conditions, we'll go back and kind of
6 spot check that every now and again just to see. And
7 it's always spot on. I don't know what the bondsmen
8 have access to when they go to the system. Do they just
9 see an amount and not the bond conditions? That's
10 something -- I don't know if MIS -- I don't know what
11 they see. I've never had the privilege of seeing what
12 they can see.

13 MS. MASON: It's on the Internet.
14 Sheriff's website. That's all we see what the public
12:49PM 15 can see.

16 JUDGE DEROUEN: Right. The standard ones.
17 I see. That doesn't list bond conditions.

18 MS. MASON: That's -- not the warrant
19 numbers aren't even on there. The bond amount
12:49PM 20 numbers --

21 JUDGE WEST: So we obviously have to figure
22 out a method for those -- because if there are other
23 than standard bond conditions, which everybody knows as
24 a bondsmen. But the ones that aren't standard, the ones
12:50PM 25 that are probably the most important if the magistrate

1 feels like they need extra bond conditions it's because
2 there is an issue.

3 JUDGE DEROUEN: Right.

4 JUDGE WEST: So I don't know.

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5 JUDGE DEROUEN: I know -- I don't know how
6 that issue --

7 MR. FREIGA: This is something that cannot
8 be resolved right now. You know, a lot of us back in
9 the years ago when we had the jail screen that showed

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10 everything, including the stuff that shouldn't have
11 showed. And that's why it ended being taken away
12 because it showed -- it showed defendant -- it has stuff
13 on there that shouldn't. And I know that's a whole new
14 ball game. But even if one day we could get back to a
15 jail screen for us not having to call the jail a

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16 thousand times a day, and listening to two different
17 bondsmen after one thing. That could be in the remark
18 section, could have the bond conditions because it does
19 apply to us on a bond that we post it may -- it may
20 apply. We may not post a bond for a certain reason
21 because there is some conditions on there that are
22 just -- you know, it's going to be we know they're going
23 to fail.

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24 JUDGE WEST: Well, if it's a GPS, then
25 y'all are going to be the ones that are getting those

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1 GPS violations if they -- you have to know what the --

2 MR. FREIGA: Yes, ma'am.

3 JUDGE WEST: When you say remarks section,
4 I don't know what means.

12:51PM 5 MR. FREIGA: Used to they had a screen --

6 JUDGE WEST: So we don't have screen.

7 MR. FREIGA: I don't even remember the
8 screen.

9 JUDGE WEST: We don't have that anymore,
12:51PM 10 right?

11 MR. FREIGA: Most of the time when we found
12 out proper information we're calling the jail. Okay.

13 We may -- we can pull up and see a couple of things.

14 Like on the other day, I had a bond on there. It was a
12:51PM 15 bond forfeiture, and it was out of another county. It
16 actually just stated possession of a control substance.

17 So we ended up bonding out from the jail. It was
18 actually a bond forfeiture on that particular charge and
19 a Chambers County charge. Whereas if the system had all

12:51PM 20 that inputted, first of all, we wouldn't be bothering
21 the jail because they're busy enough. And second of
22 all, on the bond conditions, on the remarks -- back on
23 the remarks basically had victims on there. So

24 knucklehead one day called someone and told him, hey,
12:52PM 25 you're looking -- that was all over. Understandably so.

1 That's how that went, how many years ago, Becky?

2 MS. BERTRAND: About 15.

3 MR. FREIGA: It actually showed the charges
4 the people had in the past for this particular county
12:52PM 5 and stuff like that. Great thing to eliminate really
6 calling the jail a thousand times a day. Also, that's a
7 problem. I mean, that's more than of a situation.

8 JUDGE WEST: This is an MIS question, I
9 guess. If bond conditions are put in by the jail, how
12:52PM 10 can we get that information where it needs to be for the
11 bondsmen?

12 MS. HELM: Well, there is a couple of
13 layers of issue. Number one the portal that they're
14 using is really not for bondsmen. We set it up as just
12:52PM 15 a courtesy because they didn't have anything. It's
16 really a portal that is made for attorneys to look at
17 their cases to see basic information, like, the
18 documents that have been filed, you know, the charge,
19 things like that. So we really don't have -- now Tyler
12:53PM 20 has a jail portlet but it does not work. And the portal
21 is going away. So this is all being replaced by
22 something new by Tyler. So it's like we can't really --
23 we can't really go back and try to get -- we've tried to
24 get the portlet to work but it doesn't work. And it's
12:53PM 25 not their top priority because this whole portal is

1 going away and being replaced by something new.

2 JUDGE WEST: Do we know if the something
3 different is going to have a place for access for
4 something like that?

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5 MS. HELM: I'm not sure. We're going to a
6 conference in May, and we'll be able to have more
7 information but...

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8 JUDGE WEST: So let's just assume -- let's
9 just make this assumption for a second that it's not
10 going to have a way for them to get it through the
11 portal. Then how do we either -- yes, ma'am.

12 MS. BRODE: Shouldn't the attorney know the
13 conditions of the bond?

14 JUDGE WEST: No.

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15 MR. GALMOR: Get it in -- that wasn't -- I
16 didn't want to talk too much today. But I mean I've
17 been trying to get jail screen forever, I mean, albeit,
18 records --

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19 MS. HELM: We just don't have a jail
20 screen.

21 (TALKING ALL AT ONCE.)

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22 JUDGE WEST: They may not even have a
23 lawyer at the time or they may have a court-appointed
24 lawyer but they're not given that information. If
25 they're going to get a court-appointed lawyer and then

1 they get out on bond, the bondsmen are the -- really the
2 only ones or the primary ones with the most important
3 need to know what those conditions are, obviously
4 other than the courts. Is there away to -- I mean, I
12:54PM 5 know this is work -- no matter what it's going to be
6 work to print those out and have that attached to when
7 someone goes to bond them out. I mean, you're not going
8 to have it ahead of time but at least you have it when
9 you get it. When they go -- a bondsmen goes to the
12:54PM 10 jail, can they get some kind of -- I don't know what
11 y'all's looks like if there is a way from the screen to
12 print those bond conditions and hand them to whoever is
13 doing it?

14 UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Bondsmen don't always
12:55PM 15 come to the jail.

16 MS. RITENOUR: No, we do not. We rarely go
17 to the jail.

18 MS. HELM: Question. So --

19 JUDGE WEST: You send -- but somebody goes
12:55PM 20 to hand something.

21 MS. RITENOUR: Yeah. We send -- usually
22 the cosigners. We send them over across the street.
23 And it isn't -- the bond conditions has become an issue
24 because there are so many bonds that have --

12:55PM 25 JUDGE WEST: So maybe y'all have to go give

1 them for now. I mean, I don't -- I mean, you're asking
2 for something but we can't just give it to you.

3 MS. RITENOUR: Yeah.

4 JUDGE WEST: Unless maybe you have to go if
12:55PM 5 we're going to ask them to print them out, even if it's
6 possible.

7 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: We would have to create
8 a whole new document because the information we would
9 print out now has too much --

12:55PM 10 JUDGE WEST: Has too much information. No.
11 I understand that it's not going to -- something that
12 could happen immediately and maybe it's something that
13 we get with MIS on a shortcut to do some kind of
14 printout. But it would require y'all going and getting
12:56PM 15 it for now.

16 MS. HELM: Can I say something. So what do
17 you do in other counties? How do you know all this and
18 get all this from other counties?

19 UNKNOWN MALE: It's a problem everywhere.

12:56PM 20 MS. HELM: It's a problem everywhere. So
21 the second question that I have is -- and this is --
22 I've been kind of confused about this for a while.
23 Kellie has tried to explain it to me before. But so we
24 have standard conditions. And I know those are kind of
12:56PM 25 listed on your website. And then when they go in front

1 of Judge Derouen, he is going to give them additional
2 conditions on top of the standard conditions.

3 JUDGE WEST: Right.

4 MS. HELM: I'm assuming does -- Judge
12:56PM 5 Derouen, I can't remember when we watched a
6 magistration, but do you go over all of the conditions,
7 the standard and the ones that you're adding or just --

8 JUDGE DEROUEN: They're given a copy of the
9 standard bond conditions whenever they're released on
12:56PM 10 bond.

11 MS. HELM: So you already have a form that
12 has the standard conditions that give them on release.

13 MR. PRICE: Is that what it is?

14 JUDGE DEROUEN: No.

12:57PM 15 MR. PRICE: No.

16 JUDGE DEROUEN: That doesn't -- special
17 bond conditions.

18 MS. HELM: I'm just -- basically in
19 Odyssey, I think if I understanding correct, when the
12:57PM 20 jail is getting the bond conditions from the magistrate
21 where they're adding those to the bond setting, they're
22 only adding the special conditions, correct, but not
23 the -- all of the general conditions that we have. So
24 it's really confusing -- it confuses me. Because I'm
12:57PM 25 like, okay, so they've got these conditions -- they've

1 got two different --

2 MS. RITENOUR: The first set is just known.

3 They say --

4 MS. HELM: I think Wolf was working on them

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5 before he left. He was going to put, like, either a
6 category for special conditions where it would say -- I
7 mean, not special but standard that would say, like,
8 standard conditions and blah, blah, blah. Or if there
9 were no additional, they would just standard. That way

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10 everyone had conditions that wasn't that -- only the
11 people with -- does that make sense? Like, if it says
12 no -- if there is no extra conditions in Odyssey, just
13 there is no conditions. Where there really is
14 conditions on every bond.

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15 MR. GALMOR: I was going to ask you, Mark,
16 are the extra conditions given to them in writing; or
17 are they just keyed into the computer?

18 JUDGE DEROUEN: They're keyed into the
19 computer. And I don't think that they're given to them.

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20 CAPTAIN MORRIS: More probably verbal.

21 JUDGE DEROUEN: No. Right. I don't think
22 they receive anything written.

23 MS. HELM: Y'all get them in writing for --

24 MR. GALMOR: So I think Hardin County the

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25 JP judges there, that do the arraignments, they write

1 the condition down. I think it goes on top of these
2 standard conditions, and they hand them a copy right
3 then. And so they leave the jail with it. Because they
4 give me copies of it often.

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5 JUDGE WEST: But the biggest thing, it has
6 to -- so it has to go in the case in Odyssey. But if
7 you hand it to the defendant, that's not still getting
8 it to the ones that are supervising them while they're
9 on those bonds to know what those conditions are to make
10 sure they're --

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11 MR. GALMOR: They should have it in the
12 hand when the -- well, it goes with the -- the bondsman
13 is not there, right?

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14 MS. RITENOUR: I mean, we have to bring the
15 yellow copy of the bond back from across the street half
16 of time. I mean, it's why I have a job.

17 MR. GALMOR: That's right.

18 JUDGE WEST: Yes, ma'am.

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19 MS. MASON: I'm Patsy. Okay. My standard
20 is we -- we're working on bonds. We call the jail and
21 ask them are there any conditions. Is that okay to do?

22 JUDGE WEST: Well, I think what everybody
23 is trying to do is -- it sounds like the jail is
24 getting -- they need a special person to answer the
25 phone just for the bondsmen asking. But that's the only

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1 way right now it sounds like that you can get the
2 information.

3 MS. MASON: Yeah. They won't let them out
4 if it's GPS. You can't get out.

01:00PM 5 JUDGE WEST: Right. So you've got work
6 those --

7 MS. MASON: You can but you have to have
8 this within 48 hours.

9 MR. PRICE: Can I ask a question? I don't
01:00PM 10 understand. I mean, the GPS monitors go on before they
11 leave the jail, correct? So anytime there is a GPS
12 monitor, the bondsmen know about that.

13 MS. RITENOUR: They're supposed to.

14 MR. PRICE: How do they --

01:00PM 15 MS. RITENOUR: They're supposed not --
16 there have been instances where we've gotten someone
17 out, and then there is a call they need to have it
18 within 24 hours that we weren't aware. Maybe the jail
19 wasn't aware, maybe somebody didn't check. That's why
01:00PM 20 we -- we're kind of asking: Is there like another
21 system where we could be responsible, as well to know --
22 that way it's -- because they do -- I mean, if I get a
23 call, I guarantee everybody down this row is getting a
24 call from the same girlfriend, which means they're
01:00PM 25 getting call from us. And so it's a lot. And then so

1 we can see -- I mean, there is away even pick it up or
2 even fax it -- or even add it -- I don't know --
3 anything can be added to the daily roster and how it's
4 updated every day that just says -- once that bond
01:01PM 5 amount is put in, I mean, you could have a GPS required
6 or ankle monitor or drug patch. But we have had some
7 get out that you weren't aware. And then we see --

8 JUDGE WEST: So is this something, Mary,
9 that we can look into with you and maybe Captain Morris
01:01PM 10 about seeing how and -- Chief, if there is a way to have
11 that printed out with not the extra information and
12 given to them with the yellow sheet, any special
13 conditions. And then let's see if that's an option.

14 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Maybe we need to do NCR
01:01PM 15 report.

16 MS. HELM: Yeah. It maybe something that
17 we can make a form, you know, that form could be printed
18 out at release --

19 MS. HOLMES: I always thought we should
01:01PM 20 check --

21 MS. HELM: We do see -- we had Tamara log
22 into her portal so we see what she sees. And if there
23 is a case, they can see. They can see the bond. They
24 can see the settings. They can see the conditions,
01:02PM 25 everything. It's only the portal is specific to having

1 a case. So it's jailings that the person just went to
2 jail, and there is no case yet, is where they don't
3 have --

01:02PM 4 JUDGE WEST: Right. And even if we make a
5 form, if there is a form that could be made that says --
6 the ones that we typically use GPS, home confinement,
7 remain in Jefferson County, other, that could be filled
8 out. I don't know if that's -- I know that's work. But
9 it may be that is less work on phone calls and somebody.

01:02PM 10 JUDGE DEROUEN: That's all they do all day
11 long between what they're trying to do, answer calls.

12 JUDGE WEST: I know. Well, why don't
13 y'all -- let's just --

01:02PM 14 MS. HELM: We can work with Judge Derouen,
15 maybe make the -- some type of form he is filling out,
16 maybe --

17 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Still not getting into
18 the bondsmen.

01:02PM 19 MS. RITENOUR: Yeah. If it goes to the
20 inmate --

21 JUDGE WEST: True. You're right.

22 MS. RITENOUR: Sometimes we don't talk to
23 them once they bond out.

01:02PM 24 MR. PRICE: You can have a bulk email and
25 send it out whenever a new bond is set. You can just

1 send out the conditions of the bond and the criminal
2 defendant to all the bondsmen.

3 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: No.

4 MR. PRICE: Why not?

01:03PM 5 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: You stick to your to --

6 MR. PRICE: All right.

7 JUDGE WEST: Yes, ma'am.

8 MS. MARTIN: We still have to call the jail
9 because we don't know if it's Jefferson County, out of
01:03PM 10 county. We don't know what the bond amount receiving is
11 correct. Sometimes the bond amount doesn't even show
12 up.

13 JUDGE WEST: All right. I'm going to leave
14 that on the agenda for next month. And if ever y'all
01:03PM 15 can maybe, Chief and Captain, get with MIS see if --
16 talk about the issue if there is something that can be
17 done to make it a little -- where they can get the
18 information that's not -- y'all having to hire new
19 workers to do it.

01:03PM 20 All right. The last thing is to discuss
21 the bond amount in the portal not being correct when the
22 bond is brought to the jail. I'm not sure -- does that
23 one -- is there an issue, a big issue with that or just
24 has there been a couple of?

01:03PM 25 MS. BERTRAND: This kind of goes --

1 coincides with, I guess, the arraignment. But the issue
2 is like in Court 3 when judge issues an MTRP warrant and
3 he will put on his MTRP, the bond is set \$5,000. His
4 staff sets that in computer. So when the person goes
01:04PM 5 out to the jail, once they're arrested on that warrant
6 that information is already there. And this is kind of
7 where the problem comes in that they get arrested. The
8 family tries to make their bond because they can see --
9 the bondsmen can see the amount out in that report. And
01:04PM 10 they make the bond to go bring it. And the jail tell
11 them, no, he has to be arraigned in the morning. So
12 then at that time because they're spending the night,
13 they go through to get magistrate again. That bond
14 could be a different amount. And usually, 99 percent of
01:04PM 15 the time, it is. It could be lower or it could be
16 greater.

17 JUDGE DEROUEN: No. No, not true. Not
18 true at all. Sorry. Judge Woods is the only one who
19 sets his MTRP bond amounts, and we go directly off of
01:05PM 20 the amount. Never do we change.

21 JUDGE WEST: We've had that talk issue
22 before. We've talked about that.

23 JUDGE DEROUEN: I don't know where that
24 keeps --

01:05PM 25 MS. HOLMES: The same thing when we do at

1 large without proper bond and she sets the bond amount.

2 JUDGE DEROUEN: We never change any amounts
3 that are set by the courts.

4 JUDGE WEST: If it's happening with some of
01:05PM 5 the other magistrates then --

6 JUDGE DEROUEN: Then I need to know about
7 that. It's not happening the days that I'm there. They
8 should know that. And we've discussed it. But it could
9 still be happening. But it's not on my watch, so to
01:05PM 10 speak, because I need to find that out. If we get a
11 specific example what judge is doing that, then
12 that's -- I just can't imagine that being an issue but
13 it --

14 JUDGE WEST: I don't mind --

01:05PM 15 JUDGE DEROUEN: They just think they
16 understand and they don't.

17 JUDGE WEST: I've sent the E-mail. You and
18 I have had discussions with them before about that. I
19 don't mind doing another E-mail with you to all the
01:05PM 20 magistrates just as a reminder.

21 JUDGE DEROUEN: A reminder, yeah.

22 JUDGE WEST: Double check, if it's a MTRP,
23 if there is a bond already set, if it's an at large
24 don't touch those bonds.

01:06PM 25 JUDGE DEROUEN: Right.

1 CAPTAIN MORRIS: What's confusing on our
2 end at the jail, if you do have a warrant that has a
3 bond and somebody tries to come get that person out at
4 that particular time, you can't honor that until they go
5 to see a magistrate. Or do we allow them to come to
6 jail, a person come to jail to do an in-out, bond out,
7 come in and bond right out.

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8 JUDGE WEST: I say the answer to that is
9 yes, do you agree?

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10 JUDGE DEROUEN: I agree. Because it's a
11 motion to revoke. They're already going to get an
12 attorney, automatically. So don't have to see about
13 that. It's going to be at large without proper bond.

14 JUDGE WEST: Bond forfeitures.

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15 JUDGE DEROUEN: Now, if it's an old
16 indictment warrant, then they need to see a magistrate.
17 They need to see us because they've never been seen. So
18 it's a 2021 and you set a bond on it -- not that we
19 won't honor it -- you give a specific instructions that
20 we can change those.

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21 JUDGE WEST: Right.

22 JUDGE DEROUEN: Because we're now looking
23 at public safety reporting system. That wasn't the
24 criteria then. So y'all given -- you and Judge Stevens
25 have given us permission to -- you can either use our

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1 bond or you can change it. And you could put -- those
2 people need to, but at large, motion to revoke, if
3 they're in the system --

01:07PM 4 JUDGE WEST: So we could give you, Captain,
5 a list of the ones that we're for sure you can let them
6 in and out. And we can maybe sit and -- other than at
7 large, MTRPs, bond forfeitures --

8 JUDGE DEROUEN: Forfeitures.

01:07PM 9 JUDGE WEST: -- those three things for
10 sure.

11 MS. RITENOUR: AFRS?

12 JUDGE WEST: AFRS. What else?

13 MR. FREIGA: What about out of county bond
14 set bond, preset bond on that out of county?

01:07PM 15 JUDGE DEROUEN: On the out of county, I
16 think they let them bond out. They've let them bond out
17 before. With Evan Lewis, what happened, so it was on
18 Orange County. He bonded out last night. That's fine,
19 because they've got that bond set from Orange County.

01:07PM 20 JUDGE WEST: Yeah. So really, it sounds
21 like the only ones that would not be is if it is a new
22 indictment, a first arrest because until when -- did we
23 stop for a long time Judge Stevens and I would set
24 bonds --

01:08PM 25 JUDGE DEROUEN: 2024.

1 JUDGE WEST: -- when they came down.

2 JUDGE DEROUEN: January of '24 is whenever
3 you turned it over to us.

4 JUDGE WEST: So anything before then, if
01:08PM 5 it's a new indictment that has a bond on it, we want
6 them to be magistrated and a new bond set.

7 JUDGE DEROUEN: Right. Just like the case
8 you showed me, Captain, that person has to be seen. It
9 was an old indictment. And it was like from 2022 --

01:08PM 10 CAPTAIN MORRIS: 2023.

11 JUDGE DEROUEN: '23, okay, so I added a
12 year. I know that person -- that example there, that
13 person needs to go through magistrate.

14 JUDGE WEST: Yes.

01:08PM 15 MR. FREIGA: So just to clarify a case, you
16 know, or else they'll bombard the jail, is that
17 something that we'll make sure it takes place into
18 pretty quickly on what we're talking about here or is
19 that something --

01:08PM 20 JUDGE DEROUEN: Yeah. I'll get with the
21 Captain.

22 MR. FREIGA: Because would be something
23 that they won't -- you know, the -- us bondsmen won't be
24 bombarding him if that's going to take in effect that we
01:08PM 25 have got to have --

1 JUDGE DEROUEN: It's going to take a little
2 bit to get --

3 MR. FREIGA: Right.

4 JUDGE DEROUEN: -- change.

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5 JUDGE WEST: All right. Good.

6 CAPTAIN MORRIS: So we've --

7 JUDGE WEST: We solved one.

8 CAPTAIN MORRIS: -- accompany.

9 MS. RITENOUR: Yes.

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10 CAPTAIN MORRIS: This particular person on
11 the AFRS --

12 MS. RITENOUR: We did a AFRS on two years
13 ago. We sent him to prison. You set the warrant
14 35,000. He was brought over from prison the other day
01:09PM 15 and then had to be re-arraigned. So I guess the
16 question that we asked -- even though you set it, it's
17 not a new indictment. He was going to court on it on
18 another case. Would he have to be reindicted -- I mean,
19 re-arraigned? It's two years old.

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20 JUDGE WEST: I feel like that something
21 that's old would probably be -- because of the new
22 requirements for setting the bonds that would need to be
23 something where they need to see the magistrate.

24 MR. FREIGA: So anything March of 2022 --
01:09PM 25 on March of '23 when the statute when the -- basically

1 that's what this is all about.

2 JUDGE WEST: Right. We need to make sure
3 that it's after that then --

4 MR. FREIGA: Anything -- yeah.

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5 JUDGE WEST: -- that we looked at them.

6 JUDGE DEROUEN: With the exclusion of the
7 MTRPs --

8 JUDGE WEST: With those exclusions, yeah.
9 Clear as mud. All right.

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10 So that's it on the agenda. Any other -- I
11 hate asking this question. Any other business?

12 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: I would say if there is
13 any question we're always going defer to Judge Derouen
14 in magistrating in --

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15 JUDGE WEST: Better safe than sorry.

16 JUDGE DEROUEN: Right. I was saying that's
17 correct, Chief. If there is any question they're just
18 going to do it. They're going to be seen the next
19 morning at 7:30 in the morning. That's the way -- I

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20 mean, some of you get upset they could have been out
21 that night. I get that. But if there is -- Chief is
22 right. I think we run them through, make sure we're
23 covering our bases, especially when the defense coming
24 along and they're making sure -- really hammer hard at
01:10PM 25 how we're doing things. I think you can never --

1 JUDGE WEST: I think we're -- I mean,
2 you're doing a great job. We appreciate you so...

3 JUDGE DEROUEN: I'm not here. I'm just
4 saying.

01:11PM 5 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: We're going to err on
6 the side of the law.

7 JUDGE WEST: There is that. All right.
8 Nothing else? Is there a motion to adjourn?

9 MR. REED: I haven't been here for a couple
01:11PM 10 of months. But make sure that the bondsmen have
11 representation that we have voted on the bondsmen yet,
12 that's already been? She's asking me to sign this
13 and...

14 MS. SEGURA: Well, I didn't know.

01:11PM 15 JUDGE WEST: I don't know what --

16 MR. REED: For this year, have the bond
17 representation has been done?

18 MS. BERTRAND: We have not taken a vote.

19 JUDGE WEST: No. We have not. Is it time
01:11PM 20 for that?

21 MR. REED: I just want to make sure that
22 we -- the bondsmen are represented.

23 JUDGE WEST: Glenda, add that to the
24 agenda. Do we do that or do y'all do that? Y'all vote.

01:11PM 25 MR. REED: I think Keith notifies everybody

1 there is going to be an election and...

2 MR. FREIGA: Yes.

3 MR. REED: Then after 30 days, I think
4 everybody votes on it here. They vote on here.

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5 JUDGE WEST: We'll put that on the agenda
6 for next month and if you'll make sure Keith knows to
7 send that out or sent that out. Thank you.

8 All right. Anything else?

9 MR. PRICE: Move to adjourn.

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10 JUDGE WEST: Done. Motion. Meeting is
11 adjourned. Thanks.

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