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DRAFT MINUTES

Organization: **Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys**

Date and Time of Meeting: **June 17, 2025 • 1:00 p.m.**

Place of Meeting: **Virtual Meeting**

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Members Present

Aaron D. Ford, Attorney General, Chair
Christopher Hicks, Washoe County District Attorney, Vice Chair
Mark Jackson, Douglas County District Attorney
Steve Wolfson, Clark County District Attorney
Wes Duncan, Sparks City Attorney
Carly Helbert, Las Vegas Assistant City Attorney
Jamie Prosser, LVMPD Assistant Sheriff (Adrian Hunt as proxy)

Staff Present

Michael K. Morton, Executive Director

Guests Present

Teresa Benitez-Thompson, Chief of Staff, Office of the Attorney General
Christine Jones Brady, Second Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

2. Public Comment.

Public comment shall be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item, until scheduled on the agenda of a future meeting for possible action.

- *No public comment was offered.*

3. **Approval of Minutes of March 31, 2025 meeting. (For possible action)** (Attachment 1 – Draft minutes from March 31, 2025 meeting).

- *Mark Jackson moved to approve the minutes from the 03/31/25 meeting. Chris Hicks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

4. **Update on 2025 Prosecutors Conference Planning and Possible Vote on Granting Subcommittee Authority to Give Final Approval to Conference Agenda. (For possible action)**

(Attachment 2 – possible conference topics)

- *Executive Director Morton gave an update on the logistical planning of the conference that he had been working on with Harrah's Lake Tahoe, the conference venue, including contract negotiations, venue features, and room block reservations.*
- *Mr. Morton indicated that Karpel Solutions would once again fully sponsor the welcome reception on the first night of the conference.*
- *Discussion ensued regarding CLE sessions for the conference. Attorney General Ford noted that the National Association of Attorneys General has hosted multiple CLEs on the use of artificial intelligence in prosecutorial and criminal justice settings. Mr. Morton ensured that there would be a CLE on artificial intelligence at the 2025 conference.*
- *Mr. Morton noted again that the annual budget for the conference remains flat compared to recent years, and the increased cost of food, audio visual equipment, and rooms continues to hamper his abilities to expand the conference in various ways. Mark Jackson noted the Attorney General's Offices attempt in the most recent legislative session to increase this budget, and requested that this be discussed again during the Advisory Council's 1st quarter meeting in 2026.*
- *Mr. Morton requested the Advisory Council consider giving the Subcommittee on Conference Programming full authority to approve this year's CLE programming. Vice Chair Hicks moved to grant the Subcommittee such authority. Carly Helbert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

5. **Discussion, Review of Nominations, and Possible Vote on Selection of 2025 William J. Raggio Award Winner. (For possible action)**

(Attachment 3 – Nominations received for 2025 Raggio Award).

- *Mr. Morton informed the Advisory Council that he received one nomination for the 2025 Raggio Award: Nell Christensen (Clark County District Attorney's Office), nominated by Carly Helbert.*
- *Steve Wolfson, along with other members of the Advisory Council, noted Nell's great work for both the Clark County District Attorney's Office as well as for the Best Practices Subcommittee of the Nevada District Attorneys Association.*
- *Carly Helbert moved to award the 2025 Raggio Award to Nell Christensen. Steve Wolfson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

6. **Nominations and election of Chair of the Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys for a term ending June 30, 2026, pursuant to NRS 241A.040(2). (For possible action)**
 - *Attorney General Ford asked for nominations for Chair of the Advisory Council for the upcoming fiscal year. Mark Jackson moved to elect Attorney General Ford as Chair. Steve Wolfson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*
7. **Nominations and election of Vice Chair of the Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys for a term ending June 30, 2026, pursuant to NRS 241A.040(2). (For possible action)**
 - *Attorney General Ford asked for nominations for Vice Chair of the Advisory Council for the upcoming fiscal year. Mark Jackson moved to elect Chris Hicks as Chair. Steve Wolfson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*
8. **Chair's Report.**
 - a. Committee on Domestic Violence
 - b. Substance Use Response Working Group
 - c. Sentencing Commission
 - *Chair Ford presented his quarterly report in writing. There were no questions from the Advisory Council.*
9. **Executive Director's Report**
 - *Mr. Morton presented his quarterly report in writing, specifically giving an update on the training he was facilitating with the Zero Abuse Project. There were no questions from the Advisory Council.*
10. **Update on the 83rd Session of the Nevada Legislature**
 - *Mr. Morton provided a final update on the most recent legislative session in writing – a brief description of what bills did or did not pass related to prosecution and criminal justice. There were no questions from the Advisory Council.*
11. **Council Comments.** (For discussion only – action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item, but matters may be scheduled on future agendas).
12. **Public Comment.**

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 - *No public comment was offered.*
13. **Adjournment.**

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- Office of the Attorney General, 100 N. Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701
- Office of the Attorney General, 5420 Kietzke Lane, Suite 202, Reno, NV 89511
- Office of the Attorney General, McCarran Center – State of Nevada Campus, 1 State of Nevada Way, Suite 100, Las Vegas, NV 89119

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