



**STATE OF NEVADA**  
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## **DRAFT MINUTES**

**Organization:** Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys

**Date and Time of Meeting:** September 11, 2025 • 8:00 a.m.

**Place of Meeting:** Harrah's Lake Tahoe  
15 Hwy 50  
Stateline, NV 89449  
**Meeting Room:** Tahoe D

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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  
Carly Helbert, Las Vegas Assistant City Attorney

### **Staff Present**

Michael K. Morton, Executive Director

### **Guests Present**

Teresa Benitez-Thompson, Chief of Staff, Office of the Attorney General  
Anthony Gordon

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 June 17, 2025 meeting. (*For possible action*)** (Attachment 1 – Draft minutes from June 17, 2025 meeting).

- *Carly Helbert moved to approve the minutes from the 6/17/2025 meeting. Mark Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

4. **Feedback/Discussion on 2025 Prosecutors Conference**

- *Steve Wolfson stated that the CLE programming on the first day of the conference was great. Other members of the Advisory Council generally agreed.*
- *Attorney General Ford complimented the subcommittee that planned the CLE programming on its agenda for the conference.*

5. **Discussion for 2026 Prosecutors Conference Planning and Possible Vote Dates and Location for 2026 Prosecutors Conference. (*For possible action*)** (Attachment 2 – 2026 Prosecutors Conference Proposal Packet).

- *Executive Director Morton provided a packet of various proposals from venues to host the 2026 Prosecutors Conference. Mark Jackson complimented the fact that so many proposals had been obtained so early; however, was disappointed with the cost of most of them. A discussion ensued among the Council members regarding the high cost of hosting the conference, as venue pricing has increased in recent years.*
- *The Council discussed the idea of hosting the 2026 conference “in house” at one of the larger district attorney offices, either in Washoe or Clark County. Executive Director Morton stated that he would explore that idea with the relevant district attorneys.*
- *Anthony Gordon emphasized that it was important to select a date so that offices could request courts to clear calendars.*
- *No action was taken on this item.*

6. **Chair’s Report.**

- a. Committee on Domestic Violence
- b. Substance Use Response Working Group
- c. Sentencing Commission

- *A substantive Chair’s Report was not provided at this time due to the limitations caused by the statewide cyber incident. However, Mark Jackson complimented the most recent meeting of the Nevada Sentencing Commission and its presentation on redefining recidivism. Jackson also noted that the next meeting of the Nevada Sentencing Commission would address the annual Statement of Costs Avoided.*

7. **Executive Director's Report.**
  - *A substantive Executive Director's Report was not provided at this time due to the limitations caused by the statewide cyber incident.*
8. **Update on Implementation of New Victim Notification System (S.A.V.E.)**
  - *Chief of Staff Benitez-Thompson provided a recap of the request for proposals process for a new statewide victim notification system, and stated that S.A.V.E. went live on August 27, 2025. She noted that while there have been some data import issues due to the statewide cyber incident, notifications were being distributed smoothly.*
  - *Carly Helbert inquired as to whether there would be victim witness advocate training on the new system. Chief of Staff Benitez-Thompson noted that some of the relevant training had occurred, and additional training sessions would be announced.*
9. **Update on the 84<sup>th</sup> Session of the Nevada Legislature**
  - *Executive Director Morton did not have an update on the 2027 legislative session. Mark Jackson requested that a calendar of meetings of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Judiciary be provided. Mr. Morton stated that once the interim committee was formed, he would provide such information.*
10. **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).
  - *Chris Hicks noted that Chief Justice Herndon reconvened the Committee to Study Evidence-Based Pretrial Release at the Nevada Supreme Court to revalidate the Nevada Pretrial Risk Assessment, and that the Committee had received/reviewed three proposals thus far.*
11. **Public Comment.**

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

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