**Ethics Subcommittee Conference Call Minutes**

Thursday, December 13, 2018 2:00 p.m. ET

Subcommittee Chair Peter Kiefer convened the conference call:

On the Call:

Angie VanSchoick Bill Jo Garcia

Jeffrey Tsunekawa Joe Tommasino

Karl Thoennes Norman Meyer

Russell Brown

* Approval of the November 1, 2018 Minutes:

Minutes were approved.

* Update on the Revised Model Code of Conduct

The NACM Board approved the revised Model Code. Jeffrey Tsunekawa posted revised Model Code to the NACM website. Jeffrey will also post a notice in the next Court Express announcing the approval of the Model Code and inviting members to view it on the website.

* Ethical Issues and Challenges

Jeff Tsunekawa ran a piece soliciting members to submit their ideas for ethics issues and challenges in the November issue of The Court Express. The Subcommittee agreed to drafting an introduction to the issues and challenges document explaining that; the purpose of the document is to give the Model Code context; it will be a “living” document – it will be regularly updated with depictions of new issues and challenges; where appropriate, each issue or challenge will be related to a specific module of the Core, the Subcommittee does not plan to respond to each depiction but where possible, will describe what courts are doing as a response to the issue or challenge.

* New Email Address

Janet Reid provide the Subcommittee with a new email address which is [ethics@nacmnet.org](mailto:ethics@nacmnet.org).

* Survey of Ethics Review Boards

Subcommittee has a list of state judicial ethics review boards. The opinions of these boards can add background to any ethics issue or challenge that is being discussed and that is posted to the website. The Subcommittee will forward the draft survey to the Governance Committee once there is agreement on the final design.

* Archived Ethics Information

Janet Reid agreed to act as the liaison with the national Center for disposition of the ethics material on the [www.Courtethics.org](http://www.Courtethics.org) website. The working group of Karl Thoennes, Billie Jo Garcia, and Peter Kiefer will begin work of the project.

* Good of the Order

It was pointed out that the Core Ethics Modules needed to be reviewed in order to ensure that the modules display the current wording in the revised Model Code.

* Next Conference Call

The next conference call is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. ET. We will use the GoToMeeting conferencing system for that call.