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Pennsylvania Justice Network (JNET) Governance Structure

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Whereas, on March 9, 1995, the Improve Management and Cost Control Task Force (“IMPACCT”) was established to survey and examine the administrative organization and operations of state agencies in order to secure greater administrative and program efficiency and economy; and

Whereas, Sections 501 and 502 of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. §§ 181 and 182) require administrative departments and several independent and departmental administrative boards to coordinate their work and activities with other departments, boards, and commissions; and

Whereas, historically, justice information systems in the commonwealth have been fragmented secondary to the development of independent, autonomous information systems designed to address agency-specific operational needs; and

Whereas, the Office of Administration initiated the Integrated Criminal Justice (ICJ) Project in January 1996 for the purpose of developing a strategic vision for the sharing of electronic information between justice and justice-affiliated agencies in order to improve operating efficiencies and enhance public safety throughout the commonwealth; and

Whereas, in May 1997, the Office of Administration formed a steering committee of agency representatives from the 10 justice and justice-affiliated agencies to develop and implement an initial blueprint for the Justice Network (JNET); and

Whereas, the purpose of this Executive Order is to create and formalize the JNET Governance Structure for the commonwealth's Justice Network to include the JNET Executive Council, the JNET Steering Committee, and the JNET Office; and

Whereas, the establishment of a JNET Governance Structure will facilitate the development of a cost-effective, integrated justice information system that maximizes standardization of information and communications technology across the commonwealth's justice and justice-affiliated agencies and, thereby, improves public safety.

Now, Therefore, I, Tom Corbett, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and other laws of the commonwealth do hereby establish the Pennsylvania Justice Network (JNET) Governance Structure. By so doing, I invest it with the necessary powers to perform the duties and functions set forth herein and to advise and counsel me in the development and operation of the JNET System specifically with respect to the commonwealth's overall duty to ensure public safety.



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Annex A

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CHAPTER 6. ADDITIONAL COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES

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§ 6.541. Purpose.

The purpose of the JNET Governance Structure is to establish a strategic direction for the investment in information solutions across the Commonwealth's technology enterprise and to direct implementation of a comprehensive integrated justice information system.

§ 6.542. JNET Governance Structure.

The JNET Governance Structure consists of an Executive Council, a Steering Committee and a JNET Office. Each entity will be responsible for fulfilling specific activities, as outlined in this section, necessary to support JNET.

(1) *JNET Executive Council.* The JNET Executive Council is responsible for establishing an overall policy and strategic vision for JNET. This vision should complement agency operations and ensure ongoing interagency cooperation and collaboration.

(i) *Composition.* The JNET Executive Council will be comprised of chief executives from the justice and justice-affiliated organizations identified in this subparagraph. Agencies that provide information by means of JNET to JNET Executive Council member agencies may petition the JNET Executive Council and be granted membership based on a majority vote of the JNET Executive Council. Given the significance of JNET to the administration's overall public safety initiatives, participants will be required to regularly represent their respective agencies at JNET Executive Council meetings. If the participant on the JNET Executive Council is not the chief executive, the designee must serve as a high-level decision maker from the agency.

- (A) Department of Corrections.
- (B) Pennsylvania State Police.
- (C) Board of Probation and Parole.
- (D) Commission on Crime and Delinquency.
- (E) Board of Pardons.
- (F) Juvenile Court Judges' Commission.
- (G) Department of Public Welfare.
- (H) Department of Transportation.
- (I) Governor's Policy Office.
- (J) Governor's Office of Administration.
- (K) Office of the Budget.
- (L) Office of General Counsel.
- (M) Office of Inspector General.
- (N) Office of Administration, Deputy Secretary for Information Technology.
- (O) Office of Administration, JNET Executive Director.

(P) Although participation on the JNET Executive Council by justice entities outside the Executive Branch, or outside the Governor's jurisdiction, cannot be required under Executive Order, representation by the agencies in this clause is seen to be critical to the success of JNET and is strongly encouraged. As with the other JNET Executive Council appointments, a non-Executive Branch agency will be required to select a permanent designee who will represent the agency at JNET Executive Council meetings.

(-i-) Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts.

(-ii-) Office of Attorney General.

(-iii-) Commission on Sentencing.

(ii) *Chairperson.* The Governor's Policy Office representative will serve as the Chairperson of the JNET Executive Council for the purposes of convening meetings and conducting business. Except that the Governor may designate, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, another person from JNET Executive Council membership as Chairperson of the JNET Executive Council.

(2) *JNET Steering Committee.* The JNET Steering Committee shall establish a tactical plan for the deployment of JNET functionality and associated information sharing requirements. Policies set forth by the JNET Steering Committee must reflect the means by which participating agencies will share data stored in agency-specific information systems to maximize access to, and the use of, existing databases and platforms.

(i) *Composition.* The JNET Steering Committee will include representatives from the following agencies or any other agency granted membership on the JNET Executive Council, as selected by agency heads:

(A) Pennsylvania State Police.

(B) Department of Corrections.

(C) Board of Probation and Parole.

(D) Board of Pardons.

(E) Juvenile Court Judges' Commission.

(F) Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

(G) Department of Public Welfare.

(H) Department of Transportation.

(I) Office of Attorney General.*

(J) Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts.*

(K) Governor's Policy Office.

(L) Office of Administration.

(M) Office of the Budget.

(N) Office of General Counsel.

(O) Office of Inspector General.

(P) Commission on Sentencing.*

(Q) At-large member.**

(R) At-large member.**

(S) At-large member.**

(T) Office of Administration, Deputy Secretary for Information Technology.

(U) Office of Administration, JNET Executive Director.

* Insofar as these organizations choose to participate on the JNET Executive Council.

** The JNET Steering Committee Chairperson may appoint up to three at-large members to the JNET Steering Committee. The at-large members

may represent Federal, State, county or local criminal justice agencies. The at-large members will serve 2-year terms and will serve at the discretion of the Chairperson. During the 2-year term, the Chairperson can replace at will or reappoint as appropriate. At least two of the at-large members will be representative of county or local criminal justice agencies, or both. JNET Steering Committee members may not be representatives of nongovernment organizations, quasigovernment organizations or associations.

(ii) *Chairperson.* In consultation with the JNET Executive Council, the Office of Administration will designate the JNET Steering Committee Chairperson.

(3) *JNET Office.* The JNET Office will be managed by an Executive Director who will direct day-to-day management, development and implementation of JNET.

(i) *Composition.* The Executive Director, in consultation with the Office of Administration's Deputy Secretary for Information Technology and Deputy Secretary for Human Resources Management and the JNET Steering Committee, shall determine the appropriate staffing levels and associated classifications necessary to support JNET Office operations.

(ii) *Organizational location.* The JNET Office will be located within the Office of Administration, Office for Information Technology, and shall report to the Deputy Secretary for Information Technology. JNET Office priorities shall be established by the JNET Steering Committee within the overall strategic direction set forth by the JNET Executive Council.

§ 6.543. Effective date.

This subchapter takes effect immediately and remains in effect unless revised or modified by the Governor.

§ 6.544. Rescission.

Executive Order 1999-4 is rescinded.

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