

Domestic Relations Committee
Judicial Conference of Indiana

Minutes
February 20, 2026

The Domestic Relations Committee convened via Zoom, on Friday, February 20, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

1. **Members Present:** Judicial Officers Ashley Hand, *Chair*, Brent Ecenbarger, Alicia Gooden, Jennifer Kinsley, Ana Patricia Osan, Luke Rudisill, Emily Waddle, Beth Webber, and William Wilson.
2. **Staff present:** Staff assistance was provided by Kelly Elliott with the Indiana Office of Court Service (IOCS). Joseph Fischer from IOCS was also present.
3. **Approval of Committee Minutes:** October 17, 2025, minutes of the Committee were approved unanimously.
4. **Review 2026 Proposed Legislation:** The Committee discussed relevant proposed legislation, including Senate Bill 52 and House Bill 1079.
5. **Update on Child Support Guidelines Review:** The Committee is engaging Dr. Jane Venohr with the Center for Policy Research (CPR) to assist with the quadrennial review of the Indiana Child Support Guidelines. IOCS and CPR are reviewing and finalizing the contract.
6. **Review of Public Comments:** Public comments were submitted to the Committee regarding the Indiana Child Support Guidelines and Indiana Parenting Time Guidelines. After reviewing and discussing the comments, the Committee determined that no changes will be made to either set of Guidelines at this time. The Committee will further discuss the comments related to the Indiana Child Support Guidelines with Dr. Venohr.
7. **GAL Oversight Committee:** The GAL Oversight Committee requested input from the Committee on questions related to payment of GALs and use of GAL reports. The Committee reviewed and discussed these matters, and Joseph Fischer will provide the Committee's feedback to the GAL Oversight Committee.
8. **Joint Juvenile & Family Law Conference (JAMFAM):** The JAMFAM Conference will be held June 2 – June 4, 2026, in Plainfield, Indiana. The Committee discussed several topics they would like to see covered at the conference, and Kelly will share this information with the IOCS Education Division.

9. **Future Meeting Schedule:**

- March 20, 2026
- May 15, 2026
- July 17, 2026
- August 21, 2026
- October 16, 2026