

Minnesota Judicial Branch Policy

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Technology Investment Plan

I. POLICY STATEMENT

It shall be the policy of the Minnesota Judicial Branch that it review and execute a Technology Investment Plan for each biennium to:

- a. Ensure that technology expenditures are considered and planned in the context of the entire Minnesota Judicial Branch;
- b. Ensure that technology investments and resource allocation is driven by business needs and strategy;
- c. Maximize and leverage the use of technology and resources statewide;
- d. Support the Minnesota Judicial Branch Enterprise Architecture; and
- e. Ensure that technology investment follows a comprehensive, well-defined course throughout the biennium.

II. IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORITY

Implementation of this policy shall be the responsibility of the State Court Administrator, acting as the Judicial Council's agent.

The State Court Administrator will present a Technology Investment Plan to the Judicial Council on a biennial basis, for approval.

III. EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

The State Court Administrator shall assemble an administrative committee for the purpose of technology investment planning, which will report to the State Court Administrator or designee. The committee shall have an appointed representative from each Judicial District, the Court of Appeals, and the Supreme Court. The committee shall also have broad representation of trial court judges and managers, to represent the diverse operational levels of courts across the state and the judicial and administrative needs of their constituents. The committee will be staffed by ITD.

The assembled committee shall produce a recommended plan for presentation to the Judicial Council. The Plan will identify technology investment opportunities and how to fully realize those opportunities in the upcoming biennium.

The assembled committee shall disband after the Judicial Council has approved a Technology Investment Plan for the upcoming biennium, but shall first make modifications to the plan as requested by the Judicial Council. If the State Court Administrator determines that the Technology Investment Plan requires modification at a later date, it may re-assemble the planning committee to make needed modifications or may independently amend the plan without planning committee involvement, with all modifications subject to Judicial Council approval.