



Minnesota Judicial Branch Policy

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I. POLICY STATEMENT¹

The Minnesota Judicial Council shall develop policies for the governance of the Judicial Branch. These policies will typically fit into one of the following categories and formats:

- A. Substantive Policies.** These are statewide administrative policies governing the operations of the Judicial Branch.
- 1. Policy Statement.** These statements establish areas of exclusive statewide administrative authority of the Judicial Council. Typically, these are principal policies of the judicial branch that define the ultimate goals to be achieved. At Judicial Council discretion, these policy statements may further prescribe how such goals will be accomplished.
 - 2. Implementation Authority.** For each policy statement, the Judicial Council will designate the entity which shall be delegated the power and authority to implement the Judicial Council policy.
 - 3. Implementation Limitations.** These are limitations on the choice of those who implement the policies of the Judicial Council. Implementers have discretion in taking such action as they deem necessary to accomplish the purpose of the Council's substantive policies within these stated limitations.
- B. Judicial Council Process and Procedure.** These policies establish the process and procedure for Judicial Council operations and include the bylaws, rules of order and other procedural rules.

II. IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORITY

Not applicable.

III. EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

Not applicable.

¹ This policy framework has been derived generally from *Boards That Make a Difference: A New Design for Leadership in Nonprofit and Public Organizations*, John Carver, Jossey-Bass, San Francisco, 1997.