

Capital Punishment Reform Study Committee
Minutes of Subcommittee No. 2 conference call meeting

October 17, 2006

On October 17, 2006 at 10 A.M., a meeting of Subcommittee 2 was held via conference call. Attending were Leigh B. Bienen, Michael J. Waller, Gerald E. Nora and Peter G. Baroni. Kirk W. Dillard and Thomas P. Sullivan did not participate.

Minutes of the August 14, 2006 Subcommittee meeting were approved.

DNA backlog.

Mr. Baroni reported that the Governor's Office has agreed to respond before the end of October to the Subcommittee's request for information on DNA testing backlogs.

First degree murder indictment data collection.

Mr. Nora told the Subcommittee that the Cook County State's Attorney's Office is almost finished putting together a database of all first degree murder indictments filed since 2003. He has detected several glitches in the system, and anticipated resolving them by the end of September.

Capital punishment protocols.

Mr. Waller reported that the protocols have been jointly adopted by the Attorney General's Office and the Appellate Prosecutor's Office. He will forward a copy to Mr. Baroni for distribution to the entire Committee.

The meeting was adjourned.

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