

CONFERENCE OF STATE COURT ADMINISTRATORS

Resolution 4

Resolution on Furthering the Court Leadership Role in Justice Information Sharing

WHEREAS, in August 2002 COSCA issued a White Paper titled "Position Paper on Court Leadership in Justice Information Sharing; and

WHEREAS, in the White Paper COSCA called for a strategic agenda on information sharing centered on the policy issues presented by rapid advances in technology, the enterprise needs of others, and the competing privacy and public access concerns that are becoming prominent in national debates; and

WHEREAS, several initiatives at the national level, particularly within the Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative, present opportunities for legislation establishing a national grant program to address the issues identified in the White Paper;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Conference of State Court Administrators endorses the development and active participation in an interdisciplinary coalition that will craft and pursue proposed legislation:

- That creates a national grant program for the justice community to promote the development of standards and systems that promote justice information sharing;
- That furthers the leadership role of state courts in justice information sharing; and
- That emphasizes and promotes information sharing within the justice community to improve the public's safety and its trust and confidence in the justice system.

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