



Judiciary of Guam

FY 2024 Travel Expenditures by Funding Source

2nd Quarter (January to March 2024)

Traveler	Purpose of Travel	Source of Funds	Cost of the Travel
Diaz, Sophia S.	The National Association for Court Management (NACM) Midyear Conference on February 4-6, 2024 in Costa Mesa, California.	Local Appropriation	3,024.77
Ingles, Linda L.	The National Conference of Juvenile Justice on March 17-20, 2024 in Cleveland, Ohio.	Local Appropriation	3,604.31
Torres, Robert J.	The Conference of Chief Justices (CCJ) Midyear Meeting on January 27-30, 2024 in Nashville, Tennessee.	Local Appropriation	4,420.38
Grand Total			\$11,049.46



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February 20, 2024

MEMORANDUM

To: Danielle T. Rosete, Esq., *Administrator of the Courts* *DRR*

Cc: Barbara Jean T. Perez, *Human Resources Administrator*
Ma. Dianne O. Gudmalin, *Finance Administrator*

From: Sophia Santos Diaz, Esq., *Clerk of the Superior Court* *SophSD*

RE: **National Association for Court Management Mid-Year Meeting in Costa Mesa, CA**

This memorandum is intended to report on my attendance at the National Association for Court Management's (NACM) Mid-Year Meeting in Costa Mesa, California from February 4-6, 2024. In addition to the financial support from the Judiciary for attendance at this meeting, I was also the recipient of a scholarship from NACM, which covers, on a reimbursement basis, the cost of the registration fee, lodging for the nights of the conference and \$500.00 toward travel expenses.

The meeting's theme was "Leadership Opportunities and Challenges for our Nation's Courts: Engaging a New and Diverse Workforce." As a condition of my scholarship, I was asked to volunteer time during the meeting; I chose to serve as a session host, which involved introducing a session speaker and moderating questions from the audience. The session I hosted was entitled "Including Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in DEI Conversations" and its sole speaker was Professor Robert T. Chang, Executive Director of the Fred T. Korematsu Center for Law and Equality at Seattle University's law school. His discussion was more of a historical perspective on the manner in which Asian Americans had been barred to equal access to justice through the various statutory frameworks that have been employed throughout the United States.

From a practical perspective, the two most relevant sessions for me involved data and project management. Specifically, "PHASE: A Practical Approach to Implementation" resonated with me as we navigate the transition to e-Courts and the launch of digital evidence. Most notably for me in this session was that best practice sets out that implementation of a new policy or program should take two to four years.

Another session that was helpful was entitled "Data Visualization and Storytelling." Understanding the Judiciary's emphasis on making data-informed decisions, this session was particularly helpful to me because it provided advice on how to use data to tell the courts' stories to the larger community, including funding bodies and the public that we serve.



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HON. ROBERT J. TORRES
ASSOCIATE JUSTICE

MEMORANDUM

To: Danielle T. Rosete, Administrator of the Courts

Cc: Ma. Dianne O. Gudmalin, Finance Administrator

From: Justice Robert J. Torres *Ry Torres*

Date: April 17, 2024

Subject: Trip Report for the Conference of Chief Justices at Nashville, Tennessee – January 27 - 30, 2024

This memo is to report on my attendance at the 2024 Conference of Chief Justices (CCJ) held at Nashville, Tennessee from January 27 to 30. The three-day conference, entitled “Transforming the Rule of Law,” saw chief justices from across the nation converge to learn more about the development, use, and ethics of utilizing artificial intelligence in and out of the courtroom, regional and committee meetings on CCJ governance, and the imparting of their knowledge and expertise from jurisdictions across the nation.

The educational sessions featured enlightened conversations on the use and ethics of Artificial Intelligence—within the realm of law paneled by law scholars and practitioners from prestigious universities. With AI increasingly permeating various facets of our society, the conference provided invaluable insights into its development and application in the context of the courtroom. Through presentations and workshops, attendees gained a deeper appreciation for the transformative potential of AI while also grappling with ethical considerations.

Moreover, the conference facilitated regional and committee dialogues on CCJ governance. These sessions fostered collaboration among chief justices, enabling the sharing of best practices and strategies for advancing judicial systems nationwide. By harnessing expertise from jurisdictions across the nation, the conference bolstered efforts to enhance the efficiency, fairness, and accessibility of our court services.

In conclusion, my attendance at the conference proved immensely beneficial, providing valuable insights, fostering collaboration, and equipping me with the tools necessary to navigate the transforming legal landscape. I am confident that the knowledge and connections forged at the conference will contribute to our ongoing efforts to ensure equitable access to justice for the people of Guam.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact my chambers.

Approved

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DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Administrator of the Courts