

WEST REGION REPORT

Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision

2020 Annual Business Meeting

To: Commissioners of the Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision

From: Roberta Cohen, Chair, West Region and Commissioner, State of New Mexico

The West Region was hit hard by the COVID 19 pandemic with many offices turning to telework and staggered scheduling, but that did not stop our daily business. Staff worked in their new normal of providing effective tracking and transferring of offenders from their homes. Many of our compact offices had difficult conversations regarding the business of the compact while ensuring we provide effective supervision to offenders in a whole new way.

Commission Chair Stromberg delivered training on the national level with judicial and prosecutor staff bringing more knowledge of their compact responsibilities and effects the Commission is experiencing as a results of COVID 19. The West Region commissioners and DCAs continue to serve and provide effective feedback in all ICAOS committees. As the West Region Chair, I am presenting this report regarding the region's work and activities since the 2019 Annual Business Meeting.

West Region Meetings

- October 8, 2020
- January 22, 2020
- April 23, 2020
- July 23, 2020

Agenda items and topics of discussion at the meetings included

- New rule proposals
- Increase in offenders found in states on travel permits without reporting instructions or an acceptance
- Tribal and best practices
- DCA Liaison Committee updates
- FY20 audit results
- FY21 audit plans
- Emergency Rule 2.111

- COVID 19 restrictions/practices updates
- FY22 annual dues reduction proposal

The West Region has one new commissioner appointed since the last annual business meeting, David Babby (CA), as well as one new DCA, William West (NV).

During this upcoming year, the West Region will continue in our efforts and commitment to bring new ideas to the table and work towards compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Cohen

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