

RE: Judicial Leaders in Climate Science - Mentor/Mentee Pairing

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We are two peas in a pod, then. I fully participated in everything NJC offered, but our state is a fossil-fuel producing state and much of the content is not sought after at this point.

As for climate-change litigation, we may end up with our fair share (although I think they actually avoid our jurisdiction for the most part), there is little appetite here to develop programs related to it.

I also took my lead from my Chief, who basically said "don't call us, we'll call you" if we want more information about this.

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From: [REDACTED] <Bryan.Round@[REDACTED]>

Sent: Wednesday, April 3, 2024 12:49 PM

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Judge Sudderth:

Just got back from Joshua Tree National Park (which was cold and wet but still beautiful) visiting my daughters and saw the e-mail from Stacy, I'm sorry I didn't contact you earlier. At this point the Chief Justice of the Missouri Supreme Court that sent me hasn't inquired about the program and I suspect I was more of an offering to the NJC than much else. Although I'm sure the Chief Judge and a fair number of of the Judges here are concerned and curious about the impending climate cases that are bound to come our way, it seems like there is little if any appetite to get out ahead of the tide at this time. I would enjoy coming by to meet you when I make it to the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex but have no plans at the present time (of course I could always throw in a visit to my brother who lives in one of outlying cities but I've lost tack of which one, but I can see him anytime). I would love to take you out for some Kansas City BBQ if you make it up this way and in the meantime I thank you for your e-mail and hope to see you by Webex/Zoom or in person in the near future. Thanks for reaching out.

BR

P.S. An eclipse came directly through here a few years ago and it was very cool. I hope the clouds clear for you, even if its just a few minutes!

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Good morning, Judge Round!

I'm not so sure I haven't been oversold. Insightful and methodical seems too high praise. But I certainly enjoyed the program and learned so much!

I'm happy to be a sounding board and share my experiences from Texas. Please feel free to reach out to me whenever you want - or drive on down to Fort Worth this Monday to view the Solar Eclipse (we're in the umbra)! Actually, looks like it's going to be overcast here on Monday, so we're all really bummed right now.

Look forward to visiting with you soon.

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Good morning Bonnie and Bryan.

It is my pleasure to introduce Justice Bonnie Sudderth of Texas to Judge Bryan Round of Missouri. Bonnie was one of the insightful and methodical members of the first cohort of the Judicial Leaders in Climate Science (JLCS) and she has graciously agreed to serve as your mentor, Bryan, as you

move forward as an inquisitive and conscientious member of the second cohort.

As mentioned to you both, the JLCS envisions this mentor/mentee component of the program to encompass (1) at least one contact between the two of you in the coming months, (2) for Bonnie to serve as a sounding board for Bryan as he considers and reflects on the information being shared through the JLCS program, and (3) for Bonnie to assist Bryan in the action planning of how to share the information and strategies for educating his branch on the management of cases involving climate science based on what Bonnie has experienced in her home state.

There is no one right way for the two of you to support one another in this unique leadership effort and as leaders outside of the JLCS, we also look forward to learning from you and fine tuning how we can best support and equip judicial officers from around the country to be informed, competent, and prepared to preside over this growing body of litigation.

I know you are in good hands with one another but if there is anything we can do to support you both, just say the word.

Be well,
Stacy

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