WCCA Oversight Committee Recommendations – Action Plan

The WCCA Oversight Committee made 24 recommendations related to the electronic access to circuit court records. This document summarizes the actions the Director of State Courts intends on pursuing for each of the 24 recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
1. The WCCA bulk data subscriber contract should	Language changes for the bulk subscriber contract
require subscribers to update data and restrict the	will be drafted. Changes will be reviewed and
resale of data.	discussed with the CCAP Steering Committee and
	the Director of State Courts.
2. The WCCA bulk data subscription cost should be	CCAP will review the bulk data pricing structure
increased to reflect the cost of the infrastructure	and costs, and present the findings to the CCAP
needed to operate.	Steering Committee and the Director of State
	Courts for consideration.
3. The WCCA bulk data subscription should include	CCAP will research and estimate the time it will
auditing and oversight functionality.	take to engineer and cost to implement auditing
	and oversight functionality for bulk data
	subscribers. The findings will be presented to the
	CCAP Steering Committee and the Director of
	State Courts for consideration.
4. Display periods for some case information on	See specific action in #5-10, below.
WCCA should differ from the retention periods for	
case records under Supreme Court Rule 72.	
5. Criminal felony cases with a disposition of	Change the display period on WCCA for criminal
dismissed, including dismissals resulting from	felony cases to 2 years where all charges have a
deferred agreements, should display on WCCA for	disposition of dismissed. Changes will be made by
2 years or less.	the end of 1 st quarter, 2018.
6. Criminal felony cases with a disposition of	Change the display period on WCCA for criminal
acquitted should display on WCCA for 2 years or	felony cases to 2 years where all charges have a
less.	disposition of acquitted. Changes will be made by
icss.	the end of 1 st quarter, 2018.
7. Criminal misdemeanor cases with a disposition	Change the display period on WCCA for criminal
of dismissed, including dismissals resulting from	misdemeanor cases to 2 years where all charges
deferred agreements, should display on WCCA for	have a disposition of dismissed. Changes will be
no more than 1 year and no less than 6 months.	made by the end of 1 st quarter, 2018.
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8. Criminal misdemeanor cases with a disposition	Change the display period on WCCA for criminal
of acquitted should display on WCCA for no more	misdemeanor cases to 2 years where all charges
than 1 year and no less than 6 months.	have a disposition of acquitted. Changes will be
	made by the end of 1 st quarter, 2018.
9. Small claims cases with a disposition of	Change the display period on WCCA to 2 years for
dismissed should display on WCCA for 2 years or	small claims cases with a disposition of dismissed.
less.	Changes will be made by the end of 1 st quarter,

	2018.
10. Injunctions under Wis. Stat. Chapter 813 for domestic abuse, child abuse, individual at risk, and harassment, which result in a dismissal or a denial, should display on WCCA for 2 years or less.	Change the display period on WCCA to 2 years for injunctions under Wis. Stat. Chapter 813 for domestic abuse, child abuse, individual at risk, and harassment, which result in a dismissal or a denial. Changes will be made by the end of 1 st quarter, 2018.
11. No change should be made to the WCCA display period for family cases filed under Wis. Stat. Chapter 767.	No action needed.
12. The ability to view all case documents and listen to audio files in cases filed in circuit court should not be allowed on WCCA.	No action needed.
13. The feasibility to view case disposition orders on WCCA should be studied and a revenue projection generated.	CCAP will research the feasibility of this recommendation and present findings to the CCAP Steering Committee and the Director of State Courts for further discussion.
14. Additional educational opportunities should be offered to circuit court judges on the topic of sealing court documents, but no other changes to sealing should be made.	This recommendation will be communicated to the Director of Judicial Education for discussion with the Judicial Education Committee.
15. A disclaimer should be added to WCCA explaining that a single case may appear multiple times in search results if a party on the case used different names.	The Office of Court Operations will develop this language and determine the appropriate place for posting on WCCA. Changes will be made by the end of 1 st quarter, 2018.
16. WCCA should continue to display party addresses, unless the addresses are statutorily protected or ordered sealed by court order.	No action needed.
17. WCCA should display criminal charge modifiers on the executive summary of each case.	Develop these changes. Changes will be made by the end of 1^{st} quarter, 2018.
18. WCCA should more clearly display criminal charge modifiers in the case summary.	Develop these changes. Changes will be made by the end of 1 st quarter, 2018.
19. The WCCA FAQ section should include hyperlinks to statutory cites or other easy-to-understand definitions for commonly used words in court proceedings.	The Office of Court Operations will review the FAQ section on WCCA for appropriate links and work with CCAP to post them by the end of 1 st quarter, 2018.
20. WCCA should display class codes used in criminal cases.	Develop these changes. Changes will be made in 1 st quarter, 2018.

21. WCCA should not delay displaying case	No action needed.	
information until after parties have been served.		
22. WCCA should continue to display minutes	No action needed.	
taken in actions filed in circuit court.		
23. Clerks of circuit court should continue to	The Office of Court Operations will work with the	
receive training on how to keep minutes, in order	Wisconsin Circuit Court Clerks Association to	
to promote standardization.	ensure this topic is periodically reviewed at clerk	
	of circuit court conferences.	
24. WCCA should include information for filers on	The Office of Court Operations will develop this	
how to request a correction to minutes taken in	language and work with CCAP to post it on WCCA	
circuit court actions.	in the appropriate location. Changes will be made	
	by the end of the 1 st quarter, 2018.	
Changes Needed to SCR 72 Retention Rule		
Per the Records Management Retention	A petition will be submitted to change the	
Subcommittee's previous decision, change the	language of SCR 72.01(15)-(17) and (18)-(20) from	
retention of criminal cases to be based on case	"commenced as" to "disposed as." It is anticipated	
type at disposition rather than case type at filing.	this petition could be heard in fall 2018, for a	
The WCCA Oversight Committee deferred this	1/1/19 effective date. If the petition passes, CCAP	
issue because the Retention Subcommittee had	will implement these changes.	
already made the decision to make this change.		