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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

RE:) Supreme Court of Guam
)
 RELATIVE TO LAUNCHING THE) Administrative Order No. ADM26-008
 GUAM SMART SUPERVISION)
 INITIATIVE AND ESTABLISHING)
 THE REFORM STEERING)
 COMMITTEE AND)
 WORKGROUPS)

WHEREAS, in 2025, the Judiciary of Guam, through a federal grant, launched the Smart Supervision Program, a national initiative aimed at increasing community safety by enhancing the capacity of Adult Probation Services; and

WHEREAS, the Smart Supervision Program focuses on addressing the unique risks and needs of probationers, improving outcomes, and ultimately reducing recidivism; and

WHEREAS, modernizing probation practice is essential to ensuring that community supervision is effective, equitable, accountable, and focused on both public safety and rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, through efforts from the Smart Supervision Team chaired by the Honorable Arthur R. Barcinas and co-chaired by Magistrate Sean E. Brown and with the assistance of national consultants, the Probation System Reform and Implementation Action Plan under the Guam Smart Supervision Initiative has been completed; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Guam Smart Supervision Initiative is a twenty-four-month launch and
2 stabilization effort to modernize probation practice, realign pretrial supervision, strengthen public
3 safety, and improve consistency across court and probation operations; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Action Plan provides a realistic path for starting the work, building
5 foundational infrastructure, testing priority changes, and preparing a strategy for continued
6 implementation; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the active engagement of agencies and community partners whose roles
8 intersect with probation or pretrial operations is essential to the success of this initiative; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the initiative calls for establishing a Reform Steering Committee and four
10 Workgroups.

11 **NOW, THEREFORE**, under the court's supervisory jurisdiction over the judicial branch
12 of Guam as vested by the Organic Act of Guam, including, but not limited to, its authority to issue
13 orders necessary for the supervision of the judicial branch and the Chief Justice's authority to issue
14 administrative orders as necessary for the efficient administration of the judicial branch, *see* 48
15 U.S.C. § 1424-1(a), (b), it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Reform Steering Committee and
16 Workgroups are established as follows:

- 17 1. **PURPOSE:** The Reform Steering Committee and the designated Workgroups shall use
18 the Action Plan as the governing framework for planning, coordinating, and executing
19 the activities of the reform initiative over the twenty-four-month period.
- 20 2. **MEMBERSHIP:** The Reform Steering Committee serves as the body responsible for
21 strategic direction, oversight, coordination across workgroups, and final approval of
22 recommendations. Four Workgroups are established as outlined in Attachment A. Each
23 Workgroup is led by a Chair and Co-chair, responsible for operational leadership and
24 ensuring timely completion of the Action Plan deliverables.

25 The individuals listed in Attachment A are appointed as members of the Reform
26 Steering Committee and Chairs and Co-chairs of the four workgroups. The Chief
27 Justice may appoint additional members to the Steering Committee as necessary. The
28 Chairs of the Workgroups may appoint additional members as necessary.

- 3 3. **MEETINGS:** Steering Committee meetings shall be scheduled at the discretion of the
Chair. Workgroup meetings shall be scheduled at the discretion of the Chair.

1 4. **REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** Workgroups shall prepare and submit
2 reports and recommendations in accordance with the phases and timelines outlined in
3 the Action Plan. Reports shall be submitted to the Steering Committee during its
4 regularly scheduled meetings. The Steering Committee shall review, assess, and
5 consolidate Workgroup recommendations before advancing them to the Supreme Court
6 of Guam.

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8 **SO ORDERED** this 14th day of October, 2026.

9 _____/s/_____
10 **F. PHILIP CARBULLIDO**
11 Associate Justice

_____/s/_____
12 **ROBERT J. TORRES**
13 Associate Justice

14 _____/s/_____
15 **KATHERINE A. MARAMAN**
16 Chief Justice

Attachment A

Reform Steering Committee

Chair: Hon. Katherine A. Maraman

Co-Chair: Hon. Alberto C. Lamorena III

Jacqueline T. Terlaje, Guam Bar President

Douglas B. Moylan, Attorney General

Stephen Hattori, Executive Director, Public Defender Services Corporation

Ana Maria Gayle, Managing Attorney, Alternate Public Defender

Carissa Pangelinan, Director, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center

Hon. Arthur R. Barcinas, Chair, Practice and Procedures Workgroup

Hon. Elyze M. Iriarte, Chair, Data and Evaluation Workgroup

Hon. Jonathan R. Quan, Chair, Court Rules and Legal Procedures Workgroup

Hon. Sean E. Brown, Chair, Pretrial Reform Workgroup

Workgroups

Court Rules and Legal Procedures

Chair: Hon. Jonathan R. Quan

Co-Chair: Nathan Tenneson, General Counsel

Practice and Procedures

Chair: Hon. Arthur R. Barcinas

Co-chair: Jeanne Chargualaf, Probation Supervisor

Data and Evaluation

Chair: Hon. Elyze M. Iriarte

Co-Chair: Danielle T. Rosete, Administrator of the Courts

Pretrial Reform

Chair: Hon. Sean E. Brown

Co-Chair: Rossanna Villagomez-Aguon, Chief Probation Officer