

**Connecticut Sentencing Task Force  
Subcommittee – Offense Classification**  
Meeting Summary  
July 17, 2007

**Attendees:** KK Meyer (Public Defender), Larry Dorsi (Judicial), Stephen Ment (Judicial), Patrick Clifford (Judicial), Robert Farr (BOPP), John Lahda (BOPP), Rich Sparaco (BOPP), Andrew Clark (CCSU), Brian Coco (CSSD), Scott Lunt (OVA), Kevin Kane (CSA)

**I. Introduction- Chairman Farr**

- Meeting commenced at 9:10 a.m.

**II. Last Meeting Summary by Andrew Clark**

**III. Presentation- Proposed Classification- Christopher Reinhart**

- Handout- Proposed classifications for statutes regarding Agriculture, Domestic Animals & Animal Control, Alcohol Sale & Regulation, Business Related, Child Related Crimes, Courts, Juries & Attorneys, Discrimination & Hate Crimes and Drugs & Controlled Substances.
- Handout – Possibly obsolete statutes- Suggestion made to contact the agencies affected by the statutes and decide if statutes are in fact obsolete.

**IV. Comments & Suggestions**

- Make anything under 90 days a class C misdemeanor
- Create a class D misdemeanor instead of current
- Impose fines only for offenses that carry a minimum jail term

**V. Discussion**

- Went through statutes looking for parallels and overlap

- Why some offenses have prison terms of 365 days versus one year
- Definition of a C felony
- Drug crimes could be broken up by subsequent offenses, and have subcategories

VI. **Suggestions for Next Meeting**

- Think about how to begin structuring
- Discuss supervision lengths
- Continue working with what we have at this point
- No need for additional outside information yet
- Continue once statutes have been cleaned up

VII. **Conclusion- Robert Farr**

- Meeting adjourned at 11:57

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**\*Next Meeting-** Monday, August 20 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 2B at the LOB