

# **SEARCH WARRANT TASK FORCE**



Search Warrant Task Force

Securing Committee

August 11, 2021

## **Minutes**

- I. Securing Committee convened.
  - a. Members present: Ramon McGee (virtual), Denise Bentley, Jeff Gregory, Charles Cunningham, and David Nicholson.
- II. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting of the Securing committee.
  - a. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Cunningham, seconded by Bentley; motion passed unanimously.
- III. Discussion.
  - a. McGee initiated a discussion about gathering needed data to review how search warrants are secured. McGee suggested the committee partner with Kentucky's universities.
  - b. Committee members discussed the positives and negatives of having a permanent committee study the securing of search warrants.
  - c. AOC representatives joined the committee via Zoom to answer questions. They confirmed that AOC does not keep search warrant data because they are extrajudicial. Nicholson concluded that since Clerks' offices typically only have records of search warrants that are served, AOC would not have data on warrants that don't result in a formal case. The committee discussed whether search warrants could be turned over to AOC after they are served/rejected. AOC stated that it would be more appropriate for the Clerks' offices to be repositories for search warrants. Committee agreed to continue brainstorming best practices for search warrant data.
- IV. Adjournment.
  - a. Nicholson makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by McGee. The motion passed unanimously; committee was adjourned.