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## **Commission on Equal Access to Our Courts to Meet July 8**

PIERRE, S.D.— The South Dakota Commission on Equal Access to Our Courts will meet virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 10 a.m. CDT.

Zoom Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86720480562?pwd=RRLcc5YZNo4TSSvqBhMfyoZ1BuOfB0.1

The Commission, which is authorized by SDCL 16-2-55, provides grants to nonprofit entities that are funded, or nonprofit entities contracting with nonprofit entities that are funded, by the Legal Services Corporation and deliver legal services to persons meeting income eligibility guidelines.

New business agenda items include an update on commission appointments, update on commission funding status, update by legal services directors on previous grant awards, review of grant submissions, grant awards, and a discussion of potential legislation from the UJS to remove the answer fee in eviction cases.

View the agenda at https://bit.ly/3zWU31D.

Individuals needing assistance pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) should contact State Court Administration at 605-773-3474 at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

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**About South Dakota Courts:** The Unified Judicial System (UJS) consists of the Supreme Court, Circuit Courts and State Court Administrator's Office. The Supreme Court is the state's highest court and final decision maker on South Dakota law. The Circuit Courts are the state's trial courts where criminal proceedings and civil litigation are handled. The State Court Administrator's Office provides centralized administrative assistance and support services for the South Dakota judiciary. Learn more at <a href="https://ujs.sd.gov">https://ujs.sd.gov</a>.





