Kansas eDisposition Project

The Kansas eDisposition Project that includes all dispositions owes its existence to a legislatively established DUI Commission charged to develop a legislative proposal that centralized record keeping to help assures highway safety. As those plans evolved, stakeholders and legislators began to see the benefit of working to automate all disposition reporting and to centralize dispositions of all offenders, DUI and others. The Executive Summary that appears below will provide the reader with greater insight into the problem and perceived solutions for DUI cases. The Kansas eDisposition project could not have succeeded without the support of the legislature, governor and the justice system stakeholders that are a part of the governance known as the Kansas Criminal History Record Information Working Group (see governance document – By-Laws).

Executive Summary

In 2009 the Kansas Legislature established a DUI Commission with the charge to "Develop a balanced and comprehensive legislative proposal that centralizes record keeping so that offenders are held accountable, assures highway safety by changing the behavior of driving under the influence offenders at the earliest possible time, and provides for significant restriction on personal liberty at some level of frequency and quantity of offenses." The full commission report included these findings and recommendations: a) Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS) would be the DUI central repository; b) Success of the DUI central repository requires the state and local law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, and courts to report complete and timely DUI arrest, charging, and disposition data to the central repository; c) The need for a standard document summarizing all DUI arrests, convictions, and dispositions to be available through the KBI/KCJIS system to courts and prosecutors for case preparation and/or sentencing decisions; d) Ability for a user of the KCJIS system, such as prosecutors, to subscribe to and be notified of updated information on defendants they have charged with DUI. This will assure the appropriate charge is presented throughout the judicial process.
The subsequent House Substitute for Senate Bill 6 in the 2011 Kansas legislature put into motion many of the findings of the DUI Commission, including the need for the RAPID project. The RAPID project is intended to address all four of the DUI

Commission findings relating to DUI information and tracking. RAPID is supportive of all goals identified in the Kansas Strategic Information Management Plan. It provides customer-centric services to law enforcement, courts, and prosecutors providing a one-stop shop for identifying and tracking DUI offenders. It will dramatically improve the business processes of courts, prosecutors and probation/parole personnel who are responsible for researching an offenders DUI history. The project will demonstrate effective enterprise information sharing by providing criminal justice agencies at all levels of state government access to criminal, transportation, and motor vehicle data. The project requires truly collaborative partnerships with law enforcement, courts, prosecutors, state transportation and state motor vehicle agencies. It enhances workforce efficiency dramatically, especially within the courts, prosecutors and probation/parole staff. And the project will be managed by the leadership of the KBI and KDOT, with governance provided by the KCJIS committee.

Project Objectives

The objective of this project was to implement a system to improve the ability of courts to accurately charge and prosecute Driving Under the Influence (DUI) offenders. The system will leverage existing repositories and resources already provided by the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS) data center to help ensure that DUI offenders are appropriately charged and sentenced. This in turn will help solve the delay and create uniformity in providing DUI information to courts and law enforcement.

The system will provide:
1. Electronic submission of DUI filings and dispositions from courts to the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) central repository;
2. Courts and prosecutors one-stop access to search across disparate data systems, such as the KBI criminal history and incident/arrest repositories, the Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR) driver and vehicle data, and the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) crash repository, thereby providing a complete picture of an offender's DUI history;
3. Notifications to courts and prosecutors when new information regarding an offender becomes available;
4. Tools for managing data errors and data reporting deficiencies;
5. Augmentation of the KBI central repository to include additional

information needed to support DUI prosecution and sentencing.

Business Areas

Business areas served by the project include:
- All State Law Enforcement agencies (KCJIS)
- All US States' Law Enforcement interests
- Several federal Law Enforcement agencies
- District Courts, Municipal Courts
- District Prosecutors, Municipal Prosecutors
- Court Services
- Community Corrections
- Traffic Safety

Technical Resources

Kansas eDisposition information concerning the utilization of technology among and between justice stakeholders is posted on the website of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation http://www.kansas.gov/kbi/info/ISDLinks.shtml.
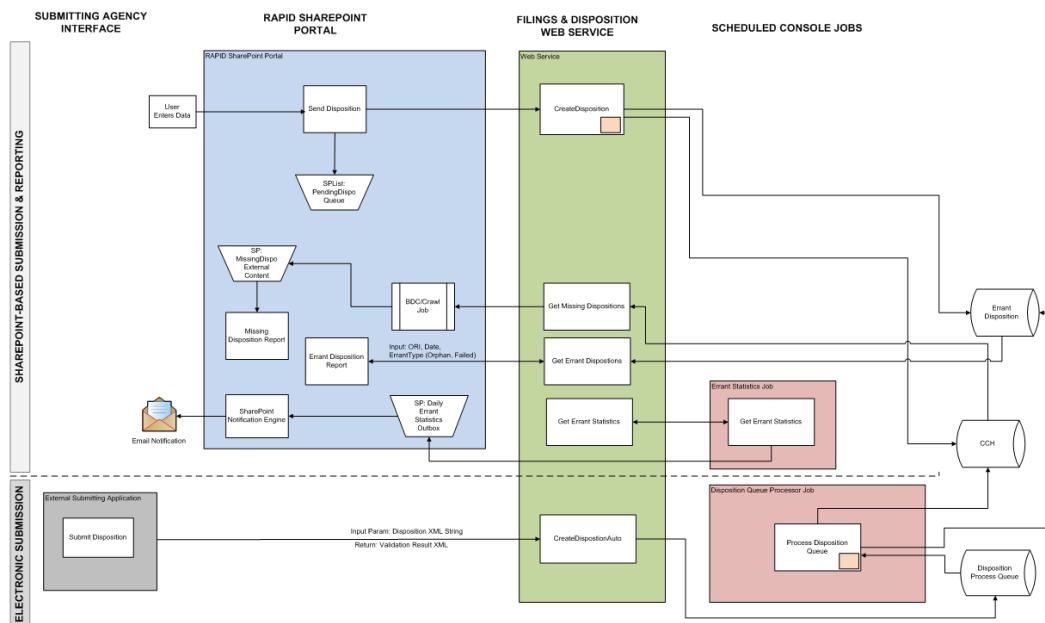

Figure 1: Filings and Dispositions Web Services Process Diagram
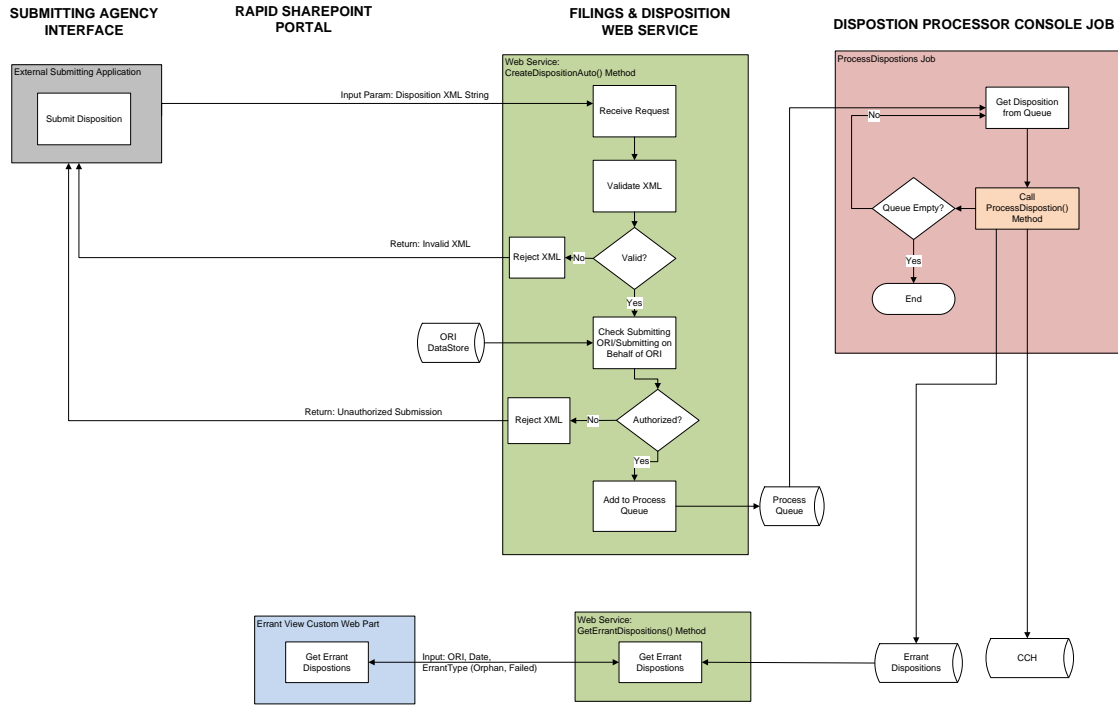
Figure 2: Filings and Dispositions Electronic Transmission Diagram

The Kansas eDispositon project is GRA and NIEM compliant. The full IEPD and other artifacts of the project are included in the IEPD Clearinghouse at **http://iepd.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/871/session/L3RpbWUvMT Q1NDYyODI3OS9zaWQvcFdQS3VnSW0%3D**.