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LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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Date: Thursday, November 2, 2023

Time: 4:30 p.m.

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Agenda items are numbered for identification purposes only and will not necessarily be considered in the indicated order.

OPEN MEETING (CAL. RULES OF COURT, RULE 10.75(C)(1))

Call to Order and Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

Approve minutes of the September 18, 2023, Legislation Committee meeting.

II. Public Comment (Cal. Rules of Court, Rule 10.75(K)(1))

This meeting will be conducted by electronic means with a listen only conference line available for the public. As such, the public may submit comments for this meeting only in writing. In accordance with California Rules of Court, rule 10.75(k)(1), written comments pertaining to any agenda item of a regularly noticed open meeting can be submitted up to one complete business day before the meeting. For this specific meeting, comments should be e-mailed to LegislationCommittee@jud.ca.gov or mailed or delivered to Judicial Council Governmental Affairs, 520 Capitol Mall, Suite 600, Sacramento, CA 95814, attention: Tracy Kenny. Only written comments received by Wednesday, November 1, 2023 4:30 p.m., will be provided to advisory body members prior to the start of the meeting.

III. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1-2)

Item 1

Judicial Council 2024 Legislative Priorities (Action Required)

Each year, the Judicial Council adopts legislative priorities to further key council objectives in the upcoming legislative year. Last year, the council's legislative priorities focused on stable and reliable funding to address increased costs and plan for the future, sufficient resources to improve access to the courts that includes remote access, adequate judgeships, and judicial officers in counties with the greatest need, availability of verbatim records of court proceedings, and operational efficiencies in the courts.

The Legislation Committee recommends a similar approach for consideration by the Judicial Council for the 2024 legislative year, including continued stable and reliable funding to address increased costs, continuing to advance remote access to the courts while balancing due process, funding for judgeships and judicial officers in counties with the greatest need, ensuring the availability of verbatim records of court proceedings, and operational efficiencies in the courts.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Marla O. Anderson, Chair, Legislation Committee.

Item 2

Comments on Proposed Title IV-E Guidance (Action Item)

Proposed comments from the Judicial Council to the federal Administration for Children and Families on updated guidance for the use of foster care administrative funding to cover the cost of legal representation in juvenile dependency proceedings.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Ms. Tracy Kenny, Supervising Attorney, Governmental Affairs

IV. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn