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**Item 2**

10:40 – 11:00 a.m.

**Reassessment of Trial Court Coordination Level of Progress in Requesting Counties and Trial Court Coordination Plan Format for Fiscal Years 1999–2001 (Action Required)**

The Trial Court Coordination Advisory Committee recommends approving several counties' assessments of progress to recognize advancements in coordination. Additionally, the committee recommends approving a format for nonunified courts to use in submitting coordination plans for fiscal year 1999–2000.

*Presentation: 10 minutes*

Speaker: Hon. Edward Webster, Chair

Staff: Ms. Fran Jurcso

*Discussion/Council Action: 10 minutes*

**Item 3**

11:00 – 11:45 a.m.

**Drug Court Advisory Committee (Action Required)**

The Oversight Committee for the California Drug Court Project, a Judicial Council task force, recommends establishing a Judicial Council Drug Court Advisory Committee.

*Presentation: 15 minutes*

Speaker: Hon. Patrick Morris, Chair

Staff: Ms. Fran Jurcso

*Discussion/Council Action: 30 minutes*

11:45 – 12:25 p.m.

**Lunch**

**Item 4**  
12:25 – 1:25 p.m.

**Allocations for Remaining Fiscal Year 1998–1999 Funding  
and for the Trial Court Improvement Fund (Action Required)**

The Trial Court Budget Commission recommends allocating the remaining fiscal year funding to (1) correct fiscal year 1996–1997 underreporting errors, (2) address fiscal year 1998–1999 court-appointed counsel deficiencies (workload growth), and (3) address fiscal year 1998–1999 court interpreter deficiencies (rate increases). The commission makes other allocation recommendations to address the adverse impact of the delayed implementation of the State’s Department of Finance Maintenance of Effort adjustments to trial court base budgets and relating to the Trial Court Improvement Fund.

*Presentation: 20 minutes*  
Speaker: Hon. Ray Hart, Chair  
Staff: Ms. Kiri Torre  
*Discussion/Council Action: 40 minutes*

**Item 5**  
1:25 – 1:55 p.m.

**Appellate Process Task Force Interim Report (No Action  
Required)**

The Appellate Process Task Force reports on its progress to date examining the manner in which appellate courts function and evaluating possible changes in court organizational structures, work flows, and technology to enhance the efficiency of the appellate process.

*Presentation: 15 minutes*  
Speaker: Hon. Gary E. Strankman, Chair  
Staff: Mr. Joshua Weinstein  
*Discussion: 15 minutes*

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