



EXECUTIVE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

April 11, 2024

12:10 to 1:00 p.m.

Videoconference

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Maureen F. Hallahan (Vice-chair), Hon. Marla O. Anderson, Hon. Judith K. Dulcich, Hon. Samuel K. Feng, Hon. Maria D. Hernandez, Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Ms. Gretchen Nelson, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Brad R. Hill (Chair) and Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki

Committee Staff Present: Ms. Amber Barnett, Ms. Josely Yangco-Fronza, and Ms. Donna Ignacio

Staff Present: Ms. Karene Alvarado, Ms. Deirdre Benedict, Ms. Sherry Celio, Ms. Lisa Chavez, Ms. Salena Chow, Mr. Douglas Denton, Ms. Charlene Depner, Ms. Grace DiLaura, Ms. Jessica Devencenzi, Ms. Sarah Fleischer-Ihn, Mr. Michael Giden, Ms. Jessica Goldstein, Ms. Jenny Grantz, Ms. Kristin Greenway, Mr. Kendall Hannon, Mr. Cory Jaspersen, Ms. Saskia Kim, Ms. Amber Larson, Mr. Eric Long, Mr. Jason Lopez, Mr. Chris Magnusson, Mr. Ray Mata, Mr. Edward Metro, Ms. Kelly Meehleib, Ms. Fran Mueller, Mr. Robert Oyung, Mr. Scott Parker, Ms. Akilah Robinson, Ms. Elaine Siega, Ms. Marymichael Smrdeli, Mr. David Smith, Ms. Laura Speed, Ms. Norissa Stewart, Mr. Corby Sturges, Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Ms. Oksana Tuk, Mr. Don Will and Ms. Martha Wright

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The vice-chair called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. Staff took roll call and made the opening announcements.

Approval of Minutes

The committee reviewed the draft minutes of the following:

- February 14, 2024, open meeting;
- March 14, 2024, open meeting; and
- March 28, 2024, closed meeting.

Action: *The committee approved the minutes of the February 14, 2024, open meeting, March 14, 2024, open meeting, and March 28, 2024, closed meeting.*

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Item 1

Agenda Setting for May 17, 2024, Judicial Council Meeting (Action Required)

Review draft reports and set the agenda for the Judicial Council meeting in May.

Action: The committee set the agenda for the May 17, 2024, Judicial Council meeting by approving reports for placement on the business meeting agenda.

Item 2

Conversion of One Permanent Subordinate Judicial Officer Position: Superior Court of San Bernardino County (Action Required)

Review a recommendation from the Office of Court Research staff to confirm a request from the Superior Court of San Bernardino County to convert a limited-term subordinate judicial officer (SJO) position to a permanent SJO position serving in support of the court's Pretrial Release Program.

Action: The committee approved the recommendation from the Office of Court Research and confirmed the request by the Superior Court of San Bernardino County to convert a limited-term SJO position to a permanent SJO position.

Item 3

Extension of Temporary Subordinate Judicial Officer Positions for Pretrial Release Program: Superior Courts of Fresno, Kern, and Lassen Counties (Action Required)

Review a recommendation from Criminal Justice Services staff to confirm requests by the Superior Courts of Fresno, Kern, and Lassen Counties for the extension of temporary SJO or commissioner positions through June 30, 2025, to support the courts' Pretrial Release Program.

Action: The committee approved the recommendation from Criminal Justice Services and confirmed the requests by the Superior Courts of Fresno, Kern, and Lassen Counties for the extension of temporary SJO or commissioner positions through June 30, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Approved by the committee on _____.



EXECUTIVE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF ACTION BY EMAIL

Monday, May 6, 2024

4:30 p.m.

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Brad R. Hill (Chair), Hon. Maureen F. Hallahan (Vice-chair), Hon. Judith K. Dulcich, Hon. Samuel K. Feng, Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki, Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Ms. Gretchen Nelson, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Maria D. Hernandez

Others Present: Ms. Amber Barnett, Ms. Josely Yangco-Fronza, and Ms. Donna Ignacio

ACTION BY EMAIL

As provided in the California Rules of Court, rule 10.75 (o)(1)(B), the chair concluded that prompt action was needed. This action by email concerned matters that would otherwise be discussed in an open meeting; therefore, in accordance with rule 10.75(o)(2), public notice and the proposal were posted on Friday, May 3, 2024, to allow at least one complete business day for public comment before the committee took action. No public comments were received.

OPEN DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEM

Agenda Setting for May 17, 2024, Judicial Council Meeting (Action Required)

Review and consider the draft council reports listed below for placement on the May 17, 2024, Judicial Council business meeting agenda.

1. 24-034 (Consent): Rules and Forms | Order for Debtor's Examination in Small Claims Cases (Action Required)
2. 24-094 (Discussion): Rules and Forms | Civil Remote Proceedings: When a Judicial Officer May Preside Remotely (Action Required)
3. 24-102 (Consent): Criminal Law | Judicial Council Appointment to Board of State and Community Corrections (Action Required)
4. 24-104 (Consent): Trial Court Budget | 2023-24 State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund Allocation Increase for Legal Services (Action Required)
5. 24-106 (Consent): Judicial Council | Nonvoting Council Position (Action Required)

Action: The committee approved the reports above for placement on the May 17, 2024, Judicial Council business meeting agenda.

CLOSURE OF ACTION

The action by email concluded at 4:00 p.m. on May 7, 2024.

Approved by the committee on _____.

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EXECUTIVE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF ACTION BY EMAIL

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

12:11 p.m.

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Maureen F. Hallahan (Vice-chair), Hon. Judith K. Dulcich, Hon. Samuel K. Feng, Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki, Hon. Maria D. Hernandez Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Ms. Gretchen Nelson, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Brad R. Hill (Chair)

Others Present: Ms. Amber Barnett, Ms. Josely Yangco-Fronza, and Ms. Donna Ignacio

ACTION BY EMAIL

As provided in the California Rules of Court, rule 10.75 (o)(1)(B), the chair concluded that prompt action was needed. This action by email concerned matters that would otherwise be discussed in an open meeting; therefore, in accordance with rule 10.75(o)(2), public notice and the proposal were posted on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, to allow at least one complete business day for public comment before the committee took action. No public comments were received.

OPEN DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEM

Subordinate Judicial Officer (SJO) Conversion Deferral: Superior Court of Placer County (Action Required)

Review a recommendation from the Office of Court Research staff to confirm a request by the Superior Court of Placer County for an exception to the conversion of an SJO position to a judgeship.

Action: *The committee approved the request from the Superior Court of Placer County for an exception to the conversion of an SJO position to a judgeship.*

CLOSURE OF ACTION

The action by email concluded at 5:00 p.m. on May 23, 2024.

Approved by the committee on _____.



EXECUTIVE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF CLOSED MEETING

May 23, 2024

12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Brad R. Hill (Chair), Hon. Maureen F. Hallahan (Vice-chair), Hon. Judith K. Dulcich, Hon. Samuel K. Feng, Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki, Hon. Maria D. Hernandez, Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Ms. Gretchen Nelson, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki

Advisory Body Members Absent:

Staff Present: Ms. Shelley Curran, Ms. Maria Kwan, Ms. Kathy Joson, Mr. Robert Oyung, Ms. Laura Speed, and Ms. Josely Yangco-Frona

C L O S E D S E S S I O N

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and staff took roll call.

Item 1

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 10.75(d)(1)

2024 Advisory Body Nominations Discussions

Review nominations for the following advisory bodies and develop recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice:

- Advisory Committee on Criminal Jury Instructions
- Appellate Advisory Committee
- Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee
- Court Security Advisory Committee
- Criminal Law Advisory Committee
- Data Analytics Advisory Committee
- Judicial Branch Workers' Compensation Program Advisory Committee
- Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee
- Traffic Advisory Committee
- Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
- Tribal Court–State Court Forum
- Trial Court Facility Modifications Advisory Committee

Action: *The committee developed recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice for appointments to the advisory bodies listed above.*

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Approved by the committee on _____.

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EXECUTIVE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF CLOSED MEETING

May 30, 2024

12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Brad R. Hill (Chair), Hon. Maureen F. Hallahan (Vice-chair), Hon. Judith K. Dulcich, Hon. Samuel K. Feng, Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki, Hon. Maria D. Hernandez, Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Ms. Gretchen Nelson, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki

Advisory Body Members Absent:

Staff Present: Ms. Amber Barnett, Ms. Shelley Curran, Ms. Maria Kwan, Ms. Kathy Joson, Mr. Robert Oyung, Ms. Laura Speed, and Ms. Josely Yangco-Frona

C L O S E D S E S S I O N

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and staff took roll call.

Item 1

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 10.75(d)(1)

2024 Advisory Body Nominations Discussions

Review nominations for the following advisory bodies and develop recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice:

- Advisory Committee on Civil Jury Instructions
- California Access to Justice Commission
- Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee
- Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee
- Court Facilities Advisory Committee
- Court Interpreters Advisory Panel
- Executive Committee of Court Executives Advisory Committee
- Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee
- Information Technology Advisory Committee
- Legal Services Trust Fund Commission

Action: *The committee developed recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice for appointments to the advisory bodies listed above.*

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Approved by the committee on _____.

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EXECUTIVE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF CLOSED MEETING

June 6, 2024

12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Brad R. Hill (Chair), Hon. Maureen F. Hallahan (Vice-chair), Hon. Judith K. Dulcich, Hon. Samuel K. Feng, Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki, Hon. Maria D. Hernandez, Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Ms. Gretchen Nelson, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki

Advisory Body Members Absent:

Staff Present: Ms. Amber Barnett, Ms. Donna Ignacio, Ms. Maria Kwan, Ms. Kathy Joson, Ms. Laura Speed and Mr. Robert Oyung

C L O S E D S E S S I O N

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and staff took roll call.

Item 1

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 10.75(d)(1)

2024 Advisory Body and Education Committee Nominations Discussions

Review nominations for the following advisory bodies and education committees to develop recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice:

- Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness
- Audits and Financial Accountability for the Judicial Branch
- Appellate Practice Curriculum Committee
- Civil Law Curriculum Committee
- Criminal Law Curriculum Committee
- Family Law Curriculum Committee
- Judicial Branch Access, Ethics & Fairness Curriculum Committee
- Judicial Branch Leadership Development Curriculum Committee
- Juvenile Law Curriculum Committee
- Probate Law Curriculum Committee
- Trial Court Operations Curriculum Committee

Action: The committee developed recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice for appointments to the advisory bodies and education committees listed above.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Approved by the committee on _____.

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Judicial Council of California

Meeting Agenda

Judicial Council

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July 12, 2024

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Friday, July 12, 2024

San Francisco

CLOSED SESSION (RULE 10.6(b))—PLANNING, PERSONNEL, AND DISCUSSION PROTECTED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Session: 9:00 – 9:30 a.m.

OPEN SESSION (RULE 10.6(a)) — MEETING AGENDA

A link to the live videostream will be available in the Meeting Information Center at the start of the open session. If the closed session adjourns late, the start time of the open session may be delayed.

Open Session Begins: 9:45 a.m.

Call to Order

10 minutes

Public Comment

10 minutes

The Judicial Council welcomes public comment on general matters of judicial administration. Written comments are encouraged in advance of the meeting for specific agenda items so council members can consider them prior to the council meeting.

For more information about meeting attendance and public comment procedures, visit:

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Submit advance requests to speak and written comments for this meeting by 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 11, by email to:

judicialcouncil@jud.ca.gov

Chief Justice's Report*15 minutes***Administrative Director's Report****24-010 Administrative Director's Report***15 minutes***CONSENT AGENDA***5 minutes*

A council member may request an item be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Discussion Agenda. Please notify Josely Yangco-Fronda at 415-865-7626 at least 48 hours before the meeting.

[24-004](#) **Minutes of May 17, 2024, Judicial Council Meeting**[24-109](#) **Allocations and Reimbursements to Trial Courts | Funding for Court Reporters (Action Required)**

Summary: Senate Bill 170 (Stats. 2021, ch. 240), which amended the Budget Act of 2021, included \$30 million ongoing General Fund to the Judicial Council for establishing a methodology to allocate funding to all trial courts to increase the number of court reporters in family law and civil cases. The budget language in the 2022 Budget Act and ongoing expanded the use of this funding but did not affect how these funds are allocated to the courts. The May Revision for the fiscal year (FY) 2024-25 budget reduced the level of funding to \$20 million ongoing but has no impact on how these funds could be used. The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends approving a proportional allocation of the ongoing \$20 million to all trial courts for FY 2024-25.

[24-085](#) **Allocations and Reimbursements to Trial Courts | Pretrial Release Funding and Allocation Methodology (Action Required)**

Summary: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends approving the fiscal year 2024-25 pretrial release funding of \$68.95 million General Fund for the trial courts. This allocation is in accordance with methodologies outlined in the Budget Act of 2024, including minimum funding floors. Funding through the pretrial release program provides for the implementation and operation of ongoing court programs and practices that promote the safe, efficient, fair, and timely pretrial release of individuals booked into jail.

[24-123](#)**Collaborative Justice | Fiscal Year 2024-25 Substance Abuse Focus Grant and Dependency Drug Court Augmentation Grant Funding (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council allocate the Substance Abuse Focus Grant Program's fiscal year (FY) 2024-25 funds to the trial courts using the population-based methodology approved in September 2023. The Budget Act of 2024 allocated \$1.16 million for the Substance Abuse Focus Grant Program to the superior courts to maintain, expand, or enhance collaborative courts. A total of \$75,000 in federal Court Improvement Program funds is also available in FY 2024-25 to fund dependency drug courts.

[24-120](#)**Rules and Forms | Adjustments to Exemptions from Enforcement of Judgments (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Code of Civil Procedure requires the Judicial Council to publish a list of the current dollar amounts of exemptions from judgment. The Code of Civil Procedure also provides that the dollar amount of the exemption for a judgment debtor's deposit account be adjusted every July 1. In addition, the Legislature recently amended the relevant sections of the Code of Civil Procedure to adjust the amount of two other existing exemptions and added two new exemptions. Accordingly, Judicial Council staff recommend revising the form that contains the list of dollar amounts of exemptions from judgment to reflect the updated figure for deposit accounts and to implement the recent statutory amendments.

[24-127](#)**Rules and Forms | Child Support: Implementing Amendments to the Family Code (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council approve 2 new forms, revise 20 forms, and revoke 3 forms related to child support. This action is necessary to implement recent changes to the Family Code that (1) require, in compliance with recent federal regulations, that child support orders be based on evidence of actual income or the specific circumstances of the obligor parent; (2) mandate that local child support agencies provide notice regarding payment of support to parents and the court when they begin and cease to provide child support enforcement services; and (3) increase the time period before child support resumes after an obligor parent has been released from incarceration or confinement.

[24-126](#)**Rules and Forms | Mental Health Law: CARE Act and Related Proceedings (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee recommends approving an optional form for the court's use to order the county agency to provide information to the respondent's attorney in specified related proceedings that a petition to commence proceedings under the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act has been filed on the respondent's behalf. This form, recommended in response to comments from courts and counties, would facilitate the process required by rule 7.2210(e) of the California Rules of Court.

[24-111](#)**Rules and Forms | Miscellaneous Technical Changes
(Action Required)****Summary:**

Various members of the judicial branch, members of the public, and Judicial Council staff have identified errors in the Judicial Council forms resulting from input errors, as well as minor changes needed to conform to changes in law or previous council actions. Judicial Council staff recommend making the necessary corrections to ensure that the forms conform to the law and to avoid causing confusion for court users, clerks, and judicial officers.

[24-122](#)**Trial Court Budget | Fiscal Year 2024-25 Allocation of Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act Funding
(Action Required)****Summary:**

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) recommends allocation to courts of the \$26.5 million for fiscal year 2024-25 included in the 2024 Budget Act for implementation of the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment Act. The allocation may change based on final appropriations included in the signed Budget Act of 2024. The TCBAC presented this recommendation to the Judicial Branch Budget Committee (JBBC) on June 4, 2024, and the JBBC approved it for consideration by the Judicial Council.

[24-087](#)**Trial Court Budget | Fiscal Year 2024-25 Allocation of Court-Appointed Juvenile Dependency Counsel Funding
(Action Required)****Summary:**

The fiscal year 2024-25 budget for court-appointed dependency counsel is \$186.7 million. The Judicial Council is required to approve the allocation of court-appointed dependency counsel funding on an annual basis.

[24-121](#)**Trial Court Budget | Model Self-Help Pilot Program Technology Model Project Allocation Methodology (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council approve revisions to the methodology for the allocation of funds for the Model Self-Help Pilot Program--Technology Model Project to address the urgent need to expand self-help services in all courts.

[24-117](#)**Trial Court Budget | Self-Help Funding Allocation Methodology for Fiscal Year 2024-25 through 2026-27 (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council maintain the current funding methodology for self-help funding allocated to the trial courts for fiscal year 2024-25 allocations and ongoing, including (1) a three-year population update schedule using rolling three-year average census data, (2) providing annual population updates to trial courts using rolling three-year average data for informational purposes only, and (3) maintaining the current self-help allocations baseline of \$34,000 per court. These recommendations will ensure that the resources are allocated effectively and will provide adequate notice to courts so they can plan for funding changes.

[24-030](#)**Trial Court Budget | State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund Allocations for 2024-25 (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends approving allocations for 2024-25 from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund in the amount of \$46.6 million. Assuming approval of the allocations, and with current revenue projections, the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund is projected to end 2024-25 with a fund balance of \$28.9 million, of which approximately \$26.8 million will be unrestricted.

DISCUSSION AGENDA**24-128****Announcement of Invitation to Participate in the California Court Interpreter Workforce Pilot Program (No Report. No Action Required.)****Summary:**

This presentation will encourage courts and potential interpreters to participate in the California Court Interpreter Workforce Pilot Program, which is a five-year pilot that was approved by the council at its May 17, 2024 meeting.

Speakers:

Mr. David Yamasaki, Court Executive Officer, Superior Court of Orange County

Mr. Douglas G. Denton, Center for Families, Children & the Courts

10 minutes

[24-032](#)**Trial Court Budget | Allocations from the Trial Court Trust Fund and Trial Court Allocations for Fiscal Year 2024-25 (Action Required)****Summary:**

For fiscal year (FY) 2024-25, the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends the Judicial Council allocate \$3 billion to the trial courts, which includes \$2.8 billion from the Trial Court Trust Fund and \$137.8 million from the state General Fund for employee benefits and pretrial funding. Due to the state's multiyear budget deficit, the May Revision included an ongoing \$97 million General Fund reduction to the trial courts' operational funding, which is reflected in the total allocations for FY 2024-25.

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee also recommends the Judicial Council approve the Workload Formula allocation of \$2.5 billion, which is a subset of the \$3 billion total allocation, based on recommended methodologies as well as methodologies approved by the Judicial Council. Assuming approval of the allocations, current revenue projections, and estimated savings from FY 2023-24 appropriations, the Trial Court Trust Fund will end FY 2024-25 with a fund balance of \$128.6 million, of which approximately \$60.8 million will be unrestricted.

Speakers:

Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Vice-Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

10 minutes

[24-119](#)**Court Facilities | Judicial Branch Five-Year Infrastructure Plan and Capital Outlay Budget Change Proposals for Fiscal Year 2025-26 (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Court Facilities Advisory Committee recommends approval of the *Judicial Branch Five-Year Infrastructure Plan* and eight capital outlay budget change proposals for fiscal year 2025-26 for their submission to the state Department of Finance. The five-year plan forms the basis for capital project funding requests for the upcoming and outlying fiscal years, and the budget change proposals reflect funding requested for the phases of the projects in year 1 (fiscal year 2025-26) of the plan.

Speakers:

Hon. Brad R. Hill, Chair, Court Facilities Advisory Committee
Ms. Pella McCormick, Facilities Services

10 minutes

[24-031](#)**Judicial Branch Budget | 2025-26 Budget Change Proposals for Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, Superior Courts, Habeas Corpus Resource Center, Judicial Branch Facilities Program, and Judicial Council (Action Required)****Summary:**

To balance responsible investment in core programs and services provided by the judicial branch in the context of the state's multiyear projected deficit, the Judicial Branch Budget Committee recommends submitting eight budget change proposals to the Department of Finance for consideration in the fiscal year 2025-26 Governor's Budget.

Speakers:

Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Chair, Judicial Branch Budget Committee
Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Budget Services

15 minutes

[24-088](#)**Juvenile Law | Court Appointed Special Advocate Funding Methodology and Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Allocations (Action Required)****Summary:**

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends the Judicial Council allocate funding for the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program, which includes an amendment to the funding methodology for allocation of a \$500,000 funding augmentation. The allocations will fund 45 CASA programs serving 52 counties and approximately 12,000 children statewide.

Speakers:

Hon. B. Scott Thomsen, Member, Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee
Ms. Sharon M. Lawrence, Member, Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee
Ms. Kelly Meehleib, Center for Families, Children & the Courts

10 minutes

[24-114](#) **Child Support | AB 1058 Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program Funding for Fiscal Year 2024-25 (Action Required)**

Summary: Assembly Bill 1058 Child Support Commissioner (CSC) and Family Law Facilitator (FLF) Program for fiscal year 2024-25. The funds are provided through a cooperative agreement between the California Department of Child Support Services and the Judicial Council, which requires the council to annually approve these funding allocations.

Speakers: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Ms. Melissa J. Poulos, Family Law Facilitator/Self-Help Program Manager, Superior Court of Sutter County
Ms. Anna Maves, Principal Managing Attorney, Center for Families, Children & the Courts

10 minutes

INFORMATION AGENDA (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

[24-116](#) **Child Support | Midyear Funding Reallocation for Fiscal Year 2023-24**

Summary: Effective January 17, 2020, the Judicial Council approved the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee's recommendation to combine the previous two Assembly Bill 1058 Child Support Program midyear funding reallocation processes. This administrative process for midyear reallocation delegates ongoing approval authority to the Administrative Director. This report details the midyear reallocation of funding for the AB 1058 Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program for fiscal year 2023-24.

[24-112](#) **Report to the Legislature | Court Realignment Data (Calendar Year 2023)**

Summary: Penal Code section 13155 requires Judicial Council staff, commencing January 1, 2013, to collect information from trial courts regarding the implementation of the 2011 Criminal Justice Realignment legislation and make the data available annually to the California Department of Finance (DOF), Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC), and Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) by September 1. This is the 12th annual court realignment data report. It will be distributed to the DOF, BSCC, and JLBC.

[24-118](#) **Report to the Legislature | Electronic Recording Equipment**

Summary: Government Code section 69958 requires the Judicial Council to report semiannually to the Legislature on the purchase and lease of any electronic recording equipment that will be used to record superior court proceedings. For this reporting period (July 1-December 31, 2023), eight courts reported a combined total of \$5,324,945 for the purchase of electronic recording equipment or related items. Additionally, two courts reported purchases made in prior reporting periods. The Judicial Council's Policy and Research Office staff

submitted this information to the Legislature, in the *Report of Electronic Recording Equipment Purchased or Leased by Superior Courts (July 1 through December 31, 2023)*, on or before June 30, 2024.

[24-089](#)

Report to the Legislature | Fiscal Year 2023-24 Funding for California Court Appointed Special Advocate Association

Summary:

On or before July 1, 2024, staff for the Judicial Council's Center for Families, Children & the Courts submitted to the Legislature the *Report on California Court Appointed Special Advocate Association Funding Allocations and Program Development: Year Two*, in accordance with the requirements stated in the Budget Act of 2023.

[24-097](#)

Report to the Legislature | Trial Court Interpreters Program Expenditure Report For Fiscal Year 2022-23

Summary:

On June 30, 2024, the Judicial Council's Language Access Services submitted the annual report on trial court interpreter expenditures to the Legislature and the Department of Finance. This report is required by the Budget Act of 2022 (Sen. Bill 154; Stats. 2022, ch. 43).

[24-115](#)

Trial Courts | Public Notice of Court Closures or Reduced Clerks' Office Hours

Summary:

Government Code section 68106 directs (1) trial courts to notify the public and the Judicial Council before closing courtrooms or clerks' offices or reducing clerks' regular office hours; and (2) the council to post all such notices on its website and relay them to the Legislature. This report lists the latest court notices received by the council under this statutory requirement. Since the previous report, one superior court--the Superior Court of Glenn County--has issued a new notice.

[24-110](#)

Trial Courts | Quarterly Investment Report for Third Quarter Fiscal Year 2023-24

Summary:

This quarterly investment report covers the period from January 1 through March 31, 2024, and provides the financial results for the funds invested by the Judicial Council on behalf of the trial courts as part of the judicial branch treasury program. The report is submitted under the Resolutions Regarding Investment Activities for the Trial Courts, approved by the Judicial Council on February 27, 2004.

Judicial Council Internal Committee Reports

24-016 Written Reports

Appointment Orders

24-125 Appointment Orders since the last business meeting.

Adjournment

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