



CRIMINAL LAW ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING WITH CLOSED SESSION

January 29, 2026
12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.
Virtual

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Lisa Rodriguez, Chair
Hon. Alison M. Tucher, Vice Chair
Ms. Laura Arnold (joined at 12:25)
Hon. James N. Bianco
Hon. Christopher R. Bowen
Hon. Amy K. Guerra (left the call at 1:17)
Hon. Audra Ibarra
Chief John Keene
Mr. Jay Kohorn
Ms. Jodi L. Leveque
Hon. Cynthia C. Lie
Hon. Kimberly Menninger
Ms. Susan Sullivan Pithey
Hon. Jana Seng
Ms. Cody Stenderup
Chief Cristel Tullock
Hon. Stephen M. Wagstaffe

Advisory Body Members Absent: Mr. David A. Kaiser
Ms. Melanie Kushnir
Hon. Jeannine Pacioni
Ms. Anabel Z. Romero

Others Present: Judge Carrie Panetta, Liaison, CJER Advisory Committee
Judicial Council staff

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m., and took roll call.

Written Comment and Remote Public Comment

No written comment or remote public comment was given.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Item 1

Racial Justice Act budget change proposal

Action: A motion to approve the budget change proposal concept was made by Mr. Kohorn and

seconded by Judge Ibarra. The motion was adopted.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further open meeting business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

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

Closed under rule 10.75(c)(3)(C) - Rules Committees

Approved by the advisory body on February 9, 2026.