



Judicial Council of California
Executive and Planning Committee

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EXECUTIVE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

March 19, 2025

12:10 to 1:00 p.m.

Videoconference

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Brad R. Hill (Chair), Hon. Judith K. Dulcich, Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki, Hon. Maria D. Hernandez, Hon. Joan K. Irion, Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Hon. Lisa M. Rogan, Mr. Darrel E. Parker, Hon. Tamara L. Wood, Ms. Gretchen Nelson, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Maureen F. Hallahan (Vice-chair)

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

Staff Present: Ms. Deanna Adams, Ms. Rebekah Askew, Mr. James Barolo, Mr. Chris Belloli, Ms. Deirdre Benedict, Ms. Deborah Brown, Ms. Laura Brown, Ms. Francine Byrne, Ms. Salena Chow, Mr. Eric Divine, Mr. Michael Etchepare, Ms. Audrey Fancy, Ms. Sarah Fleischer-Ihn, Mr. Michael Giden, Ms. Jenny Grantz, Ms. Kristin Greenway, Ms. Tatjana Gruner, Ms. Frances Ho, Mr. Cory Jasperson, Ms. Jamel Jones, Ms. Amber Larson, Ms. Eunice Lee, Mr. Eric Long, Mr. Chris Magnusson, Ms. Anna Maves, Mr. Edward Metro, Ms. Kelly Meehleib, Ms. Fran Mueller, Ms. Madison Orcutt, Ms. Kara Portnow, Ms. Akilah Robinson, Ms. Leah Rose-Goodwin, Ms. Jamie Schechter, Ms. Gabrielle Selden, Ms. Christy Simons, Ms. Marymichael Smrdeli, Ms. Melanie Snider, Ms. Laura Speed, Mr. Corby Sturges, Mr. Greg Tanaka, Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Mr. Stephen Michael Tow, Mr. Jeremy Varon, Mr. Steven Warner, and Mr. Don Will

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The 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 following draft minutes:

- January 15, 2025, open meeting; and
- February 5, 2025, action by email.

Action: *The committee approved the minutes of the January 15, 2025, open meeting and February 5, 2024, action by email.*

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1-2)

Item 1

Agenda Setting for April 25, 2025, Judicial Council Meeting (Action Required)

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

Action: The committee set the agenda for the April 25, 2025, Judicial Council meeting by approving available reports for placement on the business meeting agenda.

Item 2

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

Review a recommendation from Criminal Justice Services staff to confirm requests by the Superior Courts of Fresno and Kern Counties for the extension of temporary Subordinate Judicial Officers (SJO) or commissioner positions through June 30, 2026, to support the courts' Pretrial Release Program.

Action: The committee, with an abstention from Judge Dulcich, approved the recommendation from Criminal Justice Services and confirmed the requests by the Superior Courts of Fresno and Kern Counties for the extension of the temporary SJOs or commissioner positions through June 30, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Approved by the committee on June 10, 2025.