



# JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

FAMILY AND JUVENILE LAW  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## FAMILY AND JUVENILE LAW ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

June 29, 2017

4:30-5:30 pm

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**Advisory Body  
Members Present:**

*Hon. Jerilyn L. Borack, Co-Chair*, Mr. Robert J. Bayer, Hon. Tari L. Cody, Hon. Michael J. Convey, Mr. Kevin Darrow Cunningham, Ms. LaRon Dennis, Ms. Sylvia Deporto, Hon. Suzanne Gazzaniga, Hon. Susan M. Gill, Ms. Leslie Heimov, Ms. Sharon Lawrence, Hon. Kimberly J. Nystrom-Geist, Hon. Annemarie G. Pace, and Dr. Cindy Van Schooten,

**Advisory Body  
Members Absent:**

*Hon. Mark A. Juhas, Co-Chair*, Hon. Sue Alexander, Hon. Craig E. Arthur, Hon. Brian Back, Hon. Carolyn M. Caietti, Hon. Carol D. Codrington, Ms. Mary Majich Davis, Mr. G. Christopher Gardner, Hon. Michael Gassner, Hon. Maureen F. Hallahan, Hon. Rebecca C. Hardie, Mr. John Daniel Hodson, Ms. Kathleen L. Hrepich, Ms. Patricia Lee, Mr. Miranda Neal, Mr. Brian J. Richert, Ms. Sudha Shetty, Hon. B. Scott Thomsen Hon. Patrick Tondreau, Hon. Adam Wertheimer, Hon. Heidi K. Whilden, and Hon. Daniel Zeke Zeidler

**Others Present:**

Ms. Penny Davis, Ms. Audrey Fancy, Ms. Tracy Kenny, Ms. Vida Terry, Mr. Anthony Villanueva, Mr. Don Will, 2-3 public members

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#### OPEN MEETING

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##### Call to Order and Roll Call

The staff called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m., and took roll call.

##### Approval of Minutes

There are no meeting minutes to approve.

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#### DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEM 1)

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##### Item 1

The committee will discuss the Juvenile Dependency: Proposed Allocation for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 for Court Appointed Special Advocate Local Assistance.

##### **Juvenile Dependency: Proposed Allocation for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 for Court Appointed Special Advocate Local Assistance**

Each year the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends to the Judicial Council allocations for Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) programs; allocations will be considered by the Judicial Council at the July 28th meeting. This funding is allocated to county-based programs that have been designated by the superior court and that meet the criteria in rule 5.655 and the program standards of the National CASA Association. On the recommendation of

this committee, the Judicial Council at its August 23, 2013 meeting adopted a new methodology for allocations with the intention of applying that methodology in fiscal year 2013-2014 and in subsequent years. At this meeting, the committee will be provided background information and options for the committee to use in formulating recommendations for CASA grant funding in FY 2017-2018. Allocations would fund 45 programs serving 50 counties.

*Action*

The committee voted unanimously (with one abstention) to recommend that the Judicial Council allocate the CASA funding according to the methodology adopted by the council in 2013. The committee also directed staff to meet with the CASA directors in California to determine if revisions should be made in the methodology in the future to ensure optimal use of CASA funds distributed by the council.

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**A D J O U R N M E N T**

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.

Approved by the advisory body on February 1, 2018.