



Judicial Council of California  
Family & Juvenile Law Advisory  
Committee

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## FAMILY AND JUVENILE LAW ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### NOTICE AND AGENDA OF OPEN ELECTRONIC MEETING WITH CLOSED SESSION

Open to the public unless indicated as closed (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.75(c), (d), and (e)(1))  
THIS MEETING IS BEING CONDUCTED BY ELECTRONIC MEANS

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**Date:** March 25, 2026  
**Time:** 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
**Public Access:** <https://jcc.granicus.com/player/event/5390>

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Pursuant to Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.75(e), this agenda was amended on March 24, 2026 to add item 2 on the agenda for the open meeting. Due to urgent circumstances requiring prompt action, the notice agenda and materials for that item were posted with 24-hours notice.

Except as specified in rule 10.75(e), meeting materials for open portions of the meeting will be posted on the advisory body webpage on the California Courts website at least three business days before the meeting.

Members of the public seeking to make an audio recording of the open meeting portion of the meeting must submit a written request at least two business days before the meeting. Requests can be emailed to [familyjuvenilecomm@jud.ca.gov](mailto:familyjuvenilecomm@jud.ca.gov).

Agenda items are numbered for identification purposes only and will not necessarily be considered in the indicated order.

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#### **I. OPEN MEETING (CAL. RULES OF COURT, RULE 10.75(C)(1))**

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##### **Call to Order and Roll Call**

##### **Approval of Minutes**

Approve open minutes of the March 16, 2026, Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee meeting.

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#### **II. PUBLIC COMMENT (CAL. RULES OF COURT, RULE 10.75(K))**

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This meeting will be conducted by electronic means. As such, the public may make comments in writing or remotely.

##### **Written Comment**

The committee will hold a remote meeting open to the public on March 25, 2026, and will provide an opportunity for public comment. In accordance with California Rules of Court,

rule 10.75(k)(1), written comments pertaining to any agenda item of a regularly noticed open meeting can ordinarily be submitted up to one complete business day before the meeting. However, for this specific meeting, comments may be emailed to [familyjuvenilecomm@jud.ca.gov](mailto:familyjuvenilecomm@jud.ca.gov) by **4:00pm on March 25, 2026**. *Only written comments received by the deadline will be shared with advisory body members before the meeting.*

**Remote Public Comment**

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recently began accepting remote public comment at its open meetings in addition to written comments provided in advance. If you wish to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting, please email your request to [familyjuvenilecomm@jud.ca.gov](mailto:familyjuvenilecomm@jud.ca.gov) by **4:00pm on March 25, 2026**. Please include your first and last name, the name of any organization you represent, the specific agenda item you wish to address, and a detailed description of your comment. Speakers will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. Public comment will be heard at the beginning of the meeting. If you do not log in by 4:30pm, you may lose your opportunity to speak.

Each speaker will be allowed up to two minutes. Three or more speakers may pool their time for a maximum of five minutes. While we encourage public participation, please note that time may not allow everyone who wishes to speak to do so during the meeting. If there is not enough time to accommodate your request to speak, the substance of your comment will be shared with the committee in writing.

Please note that comments about specific cases or judicial officers will not be accepted. The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee is not an adjudicatory body and cannot intervene in individual cases. If you have concerns about a case, please follow the appropriate legal procedures, such as motions for reconsideration, writs, or appeals. We ask that you refrain from discussing specific cases, parties, individuals, or court staff during the meeting.

Finally, all attendees are expected to follow these guidelines and maintain respect and order during the meeting. If you disrupt the meeting or fail to follow the rules, you may be muted or removed from the meeting. Thank you for your kind attention and cooperation.

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**III. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1–2)**

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**Item 1**

**Juvenile Law: Fiscal Year 2027–28 Budget Change Concept – Workload Assessment for Court-Appointed Dependency Counsel (Action Required)**

The committee will consider a 2027–28 Budget Change Concept to request support for the costs of producing a comprehensive workload assessment on court-appointed juvenile dependency counsel practice in California; and to add provisional language in the Budget Act for court-appointed dependency counsel funding.

Presenter: Kelly Meehleib, Supervising Analyst, Center for Families, Children & the Courts

**Item 2**

**Allocations and Reimbursements to Trial Courts: Reallocation for the Access to Visitation Grant Program Contract Year 2025–26**

The committee will consider a recommendation to reallocate unspent grant funds for the Access to Visitation Grant Program for the contract period of fiscal year 2025–26.

Presenter: Gregory Tanaka, Supervising Attorney, Center for Families, Children & the Courts

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**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

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**Adjourn to Closed Session**

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**V. CLOSED SESSION (CAL. RULES OF COURT, RULE 10.75(C)(3))**

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**Item 1**

**2026 Legislative Update**

Governmental Affairs will present pending family and juvenile law legislation for the committee to review, focusing on potential impacts to the judicial branch and court operations, including possible rule and form changes. The bills to be discussed include, but are not limited to:

- AB 1846 (Stefani)
- AB 1967 (Zbur)
- AB 2478 (Schultz)
- SB 1234 (Alvarado-Gil)
- AB 2764 (Ahrens)
- AB 1689 (Quirk-Silva)
- AB 2451 (Elhawary)
- AB 1628 (Rodriguez)
- AB 1688 (Carrillo)

Presenter: Tracy Kenny, Supervising Attorney, Office of Governmental Affairs

**Adjourn Closed Session**