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OPEN MEETING AGENDA

Open to the Public (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.75(c)(1))

THIS MEETING IS BEING RECORDED

Date: December 18, 2014
Time: 12:15–1:15 p.m.
Location: Conference Call
Public Call-In Number 1-877-820-7831 and enter Passcode: 4133250

Meeting materials will be posted on the advisory body web page on the California Courts website at least three business days before the meeting.

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

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

Call to Order and Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

Approve minutes of the October 9, 2014, Tribal Court–State Court Forum meeting.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT (CAL. RULES OF COURT, RULE 10.75(K)(2))

Public Comment

This meeting will be conducted by teleconference. As such, the public may only submit written comments for this meeting.

Written 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 be submitted up to one complete business day before the meeting. For this specific meeting, comments should be e-mailed to forum@jud.ca.gov or mailed or delivered to 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102, attention: Jennifer Walter. Only written comments received by 12:15 p.m. on December 17, 2014 will be provided to advisory body members.

III. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

Item 1

Cochairs' Report

1. Welcome new forum members Judge Daniel Zeke Zeidler of Los Angeles Superior Court and Ms. Jacqueline Davenport, Assistant Court Executive Officer of El Dorado Superior Court
2. [National Indian Nations Conference](#)
3. Memo to Center for Judiciary Education and Research (CJER) Governing Board and Jurisdictional Issues in Cases Involving Federal Indian Law
4. State/Tribal Education, Partnerships, and Services (STEPS)—Information for Tribal Court and State Court Judges
5. [Attorney General Holder Announces ICWA Initiative](#)

Presenters: Hon. Richard C. Blake
Hon. Dennis M. Perluss

Item 2

Report on the Los Angeles County ICWA Roundtable and Trainings

Presenter: Hon. Amy M. Pellman, Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court

Item 3

Indian Child Welfare Act: Proposed Draft Transfer Rule

Presenter: Ms. Ann Gilmour

Action Item: Review and approve rule proposal

Item 4

[Notice of Proposed Rule Making \(NPRM\): Flexibility, Efficiency, and Modernization in Child Support Enforcement Programs](#)

Presenter: Hon. Abby Abinanti, Chief Judge of the Yurok Tribal Court
Ms. Denise Bareilles, Program Manager/Staff Attorney, Yurok Tribal Court

Resource: Mr. Michael Wright, Supervising Attorney, Center for Families, Children, & the Courts

Action Item: Review and approve draft comment to be submitted to the Office of Child Support Enforcement, Administration for Children and Families

Item 5

Proposal to Amend the California Code of Judicial Ethics

The Supreme Court is responsible for promulgating the [Code of Judicial Ethics](#) pursuant to Article VI, section 18(m), of the California Constitution. The Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the Code of Judicial Ethics makes recommendations to the court regarding whether amendments to the Code are necessary or appropriate.

Presenters: Hon. Abby Abinanti
Hon. Rebecca Wightman, Commissioner, San Francisco Superior Court

Action Item: Seek volunteers to develop draft proposal to be submitted to the California Supreme Court's Advisory Committee on the Code of Judicial Ethics

IV. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

Info 1

Bureau of Justice Administration: Training and Technical Assistance Opportunity–Joint Jurisdictional Court

Assistance for Tribal, State, and Local Governments to Develop Collaborative Joint Jurisdictional Justice Initiatives

Info 2

Forum Conference Schedule

V. ADJOURNMENT

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