

TRIBAL COURT–STATE COURT FORUM MEETING

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9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

455 Golden Gate Avenue, 3rd Floor Boardroom
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JUDICIAL COUNCIL
OF CALIFORNIA

TRIBAL COURT–STATE COURT FORUM

Agenda

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

9:30 – 10:20 a.m. **INVOCATION**

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

FORUM MEMBER PROJECT UPDATES

Approve Meeting Minutes for December 14, 2017

Hon. Abby Abinanti, Co-Chair, Chief Judge of the Yurok Tribal Court

Hon. Dennis M. Perluss, Co-Chair, Justice of the Court of Appeal,

Second Appellate District, Los Angeles

Ann Gilmour, Attorney/Forum Counsel, Judicial Council's Center for Families,

Children & the Courts (CFCC)

PUBLIC COMMENT

10:20 – 11:00 a.m. **SESSION 1: HIGHLIGHTS OF FORUM PROJECTS**

Continuing the Dialogue—Indian Civil Rights Act 1968

Hon. Abby Abinanti

Hon. Trina Thompson, Judge, Superior Court of Alameda County

Hon. Claudette White, Chief Judge, Quechan Tribal Court

Hon. Christine Williams, Chief Judge, Shingle Springs Tribal Court

Partnerships—Report on Joint Jurisdiction Courts

Hon. Abby Abinanti

Hon. Joyce Hinrichs, Presiding Judge, Superior Court of Humboldt County

Hon. Suzanne Kingsbury, Presiding Judge Superior Court of El Dorado County

Jennifer Walter, Consultant/Facilitator

Hon. Christine Williams

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **SESSION 2: JURISDICTION & SAFETY IN TRIBAL COMMUNITIES**

Law Enforcement Collaborations and Agreements

Presenters will discuss the agreements and processes that have been adopted between tribes and law enforcement in Mendocino County to facilitate the cross-jurisdictional protection of victims of domestic violence.

Thomas Allman, Sheriff, Mendocino County Sheriff's Office

Board of Director, California State Sheriff's Association

Hon. Les Marston, Chief Judge, Blue Lake Tribal Court

Trafficking in Tribal Communities – Unique Problems and Proposed Solutions

This session will address what we know at a national level of trafficking in tribal communities and of tribal individuals. How the inter-jurisdictional landscape plays into the problems of trafficking and possible ways to address these issues.

Hon. Richard C. Blake, Chief Judge, Hoopa Valley, Smith River Rancheria, and Redding Rancheria Tribal Courts

Suzanne Garcia, Tribal Child Welfare Specialist, Capacity Building Center for Tribes, Tribal Law and Policy Institute

VAWEP/VOCA

Staff will discuss current projects being undertaken within CFCC to work with tribal communities and advocates to improve access to justice for tribal victims of domestic violence.

Greg Tanaka, Supervising Attorney, Judicial Council's CFCC

Frances Ho, Attorney, Judicial Council's CFCC

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. **WORKING LUNCH: COLLABORATION WITH TRIBAL COMMUNITIES (Sequoia Room)**

Workbook/Survey Format

1:30 – 2:15 p.m. **SESSION 3: ACCESSING SERVICES**

Suzanne Garcia

Seprieono Locario, Tribal Tech, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

April McGill, California Consortium for Urban Indian Health (CCUIH)

2:15 – 2:30 p.m. **BREAK**

2:30– 3:30 p.m. **SESSION 4: INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT (ICWA) AND CHILD WELFARE
Update From California Department of Social Services, Office of Tribal
Affairs**

*Heather Hostler, Director, California Department of Social Services,
Office of Tribal Affairs*

Update on ICWA Task Force Report

Delia Sharpe, Executive Director, California Tribal Families Coalition

3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **SESSION 5: FORUM PRIORITIES 2018-2019 AND ANNUAL AGENDA/
WORK PLAN**

4:30 p.m. **ADJOURN**

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