



## Judicial Council of California

Tribal Court–State Court Forum

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### TRIBAL COURT–STATE COURT FORUM

### IN-PERSON OPEN MEETING AGENDA

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

THIS MEETING IS BEING RECORDED

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**Date:** September 18, 2025  
**Time:** 12:30-5:00 p.m.  
**Location:** 2850 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833  
**Public Call-In Number** None.

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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.

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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 minutes of the June 12, 2025, Tribal Court–State Court Forum meeting.

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#### II. PUBLIC COMMENT (CAL. RULES OF COURT, RULE 10.75(K)(1)-(2))

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##### **In-Person Public Comment**

Members of the public requesting to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting must place the speaker's name, the name of the organization that the speaker represents if any, and the agenda item that the public comment will address, on the public comment sign-up sheet. The sign-up sheet will be available at the meeting location at least 30 minutes prior to the meeting start time. The Chair will establish speaking limits at the beginning of the public comment session. While the advisory body welcomes and encourages public comment, time may not permit all persons requesting to speak to be heard at 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](mailto:forum@jud.ca.gov) or mailed or delivered to 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102, attention: Ann Gilmour. Only written comments

received by 12:00 p.m. on September 17, 2025 will be provided to advisory body members prior to the start of the meeting.

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### III. DISCUSSION ITEMS (ITEMS 1 – 5)

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#### Item 1

##### **Welcome and Introductions**

- Cochair Welcome,
- Approval of Minutes of the June 12, 2025 Forum meeting,
- Public Comment, and
- Cochair Update.

Presenters/Facilitators: *Hon. Abby Abinanti, Cochair, Chief Judge of the Yurok Tribal Court, Hon. Joyce Hinrichs, Cochair (Outgoing), Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt (Ret.), and Hon. Shama Mesiwala, Cochair (Incoming), Associate Justice of the Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District.*

#### Item 2

##### **Introductions – New Members**

Forum – Where we have been and where are we going.

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#### Item 3

##### **Indian Child Welfare Act – California Department of Social Services**

Suggestions for Rules and Forms improvements.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): *Diana Wagner, Assistant Deputy Director, Children & Family Services Division, California Department of Social Services, and Laila DeRouen, Director, Office of Tribal Affairs, California Department of Social Services*

#### Item 4

##### **VAWEP Updates**

- Harm Reduction and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth: Guidance Tool for Court Professionals,
- AB-124 – Survivors of Sexual Violence Bench Cards.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): *Darya Larizadeh, Director, California Policy and Capacity Building, Youth Justice, National Center for Youth Law, and Kate Walker Brown, Senior Director, Attorney, Collaborative Responses to Commercial Sexual Exploitation Initiative, National Center for Youth Law.*

**Item 5**

**Discussion of Forum Priorities and Projects**

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): *All*

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**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

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**Adjourn**