



# JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

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COMMITTEE

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## JUDICIAL BRANCH BUDGET COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

November 4, 2021

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

<http://jcc.granicus.com/player/event/1456>

**Advisory Body Members Present:** Hon. David. M. Rubin, Chair; Hon. Ann Moorman, Vice Chair; Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki, Hon. Brad R. Hill; Hon. C. Todd Bottke; Hon. Harold W. Hopp; Mr. Kevin Harrigan

**Advisory Body Members Absent:** n/a

**Others Present:** Mr. John Wordlaw, Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Ms. Fran Mueller; Hon. Jonathan Conklin, Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Ms. Angela Cowan, Ms. Charlene Depner, Ms. Audrey Fancy, Ms. Kelly Meehleib, Ms. Gricelda Luna

#### OPEN MEETING

##### Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. and took roll call.

##### Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the August 13, 2021 Judicial Branch Budget Committee (Budget Committee) meeting.

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

##### Item 1 - Federally Funded Dependency Representation Program: Funding Allocation Methodology for General Fund Supplement to Address Shortfall (Action Required)

Consideration of a Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommendation on an allocation methodology for up to \$30 million in support of court-appointed counsel in dependency cases.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee  
Ms. Audrey Fancy, Principal Managing Attorney, Judicial Council Center for Families, Children & the Courts

**Action:** *The Budget Committee unanimously approved the following recommendations:*

1. Approve the allocation and distribution methodology for 2021-22 which funds all providers with Federal Funded Dependency Representation Program (FFDRP) contracts for the full amount of the shortfall between their contract and total billing in one lump sum payment, provided that they submit invoices for each month of the contract or demonstrate extenuating circumstances preventing them from invoicing;
2. Revise this approach for future years to make the payments on a quarterly basis;
3. Approve a proportional allocation approach with each provider receiving their share of the \$30 million based on their contract share of total FFDRP funding up to their full contract amount if the shortfall exceeds \$30 million; and
4. Direct CFCC staff to monitor FFDRP invoicing to ensure that this allocation methodology is maximizing the drawdown of Federal Title IV-E funds.

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**INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (NO ACTION REQUIRED ITEMS 1-2)**

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**Info 1 - \$30 Million One-Time Court Interpreter Employee Incentive Grant Funding**

Discussion of the 2021-22 one-time funding included in SB 170.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

**Action:** No action taken

**Info 2 – \$37 Million in Ongoing Funding for Court Reporters in Family Law and Civil Cases and for Increased Transcript Rates**

Discussion of the 2021-22 ongoing funding included in SB 170.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

**Action:** No action taken

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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 1:35 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on December 7, 2021.