



Judicial Council of California
Judicial Branch Budget Committee

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JUDICIAL BRANCH BUDGET COMMITTEE

NOTICE AND AGENDA OF OPEN IN-PERSON MEETING

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

THIS MEETING IS BEING RECORDED

Date: Thursday, February 19, 2026
Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Location: 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102, Redwood Room
Public Videocast: <https://jcc.granicus.com/player/event/5096>

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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 November 13, 2025, Judicial Branch Budget Committee meeting.

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

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 an hour 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 people requesting to speak to be heard at this meeting.

Remote Comment

In accordance with California Rules of Court, rule 10.75(i) and (k), individuals wishing to speak about an agenda item during the public comment part of the meeting, must email a request by 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, to JBBC@jud.ca.gov. The request must state the speaker's name, the name of the organization that the speaker represents, if any, and the agenda item the speaker wishes to address. Only requests received by 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, will receive a reply providing the virtual meeting link and information needed to speak during the public comment time.

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 JBBC@jud.ca.gov. Only written comments received by 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, will be provided to advisory body members prior to the start of the meeting.

III. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1 - 5)

Item 1

Trial Court Minimum Operating and Emergency Fund Balance Policy (Action Required)

Consideration of revisions to the Judicial Council's trial court minimum operating and emergency fund balance requirements.

Presenters: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Ms. Oksana Tuk, Senior Analyst, Judicial Council Budget Services

Item 2

Mid-Year Reallocation and Augmentation for Court Interpreters Program for Fiscal Year 2025–26 (Action Required)

Consideration of a mid-year reallocation of unspent funding for the Court Interpreters Program for fiscal year 2025–26.

Presenters: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Mr. Douglas Denton, Principal Manager, Judicial Council Leadership Support Services

Item 3

Mid-Year Reallocation for Pretrial Release Program for Fiscal Year 2025–26 (Action Required)

Consideration of a mid-year reallocation of unspent funding for the Pretrial Release Program for fiscal year 2025–26.

Presenters: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

Ms. Deirdre Benedict, Supervising Analyst, Judicial Council
Criminal Justice Services

Item 4

Allocations for Dependency Counsel Collections Program and Unspent Funding for Fiscal Year 2025–26 (Action Required)

Consideration of allocations for the Dependency Counsel Collections Program and reallocation of unspent funding for court-appointed juvenile dependency counsel in fiscal year 2025–26.

Presenters: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Ms. Kelly Meehleib, Supervising Analyst, Judicial Council Center for Families, Children & the Courts

Item 5

Judicial Branch Budget Change Concepts for Fiscal Year 2027–28 (Action Required)

Review of budget change concepts for the judicial branch for fiscal year 2027–28.

Facilitator: Hon. Ann C. Moorman, Chair, Judicial Branch Budget Committee

IV. INFORMATION ONLY ITEM (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

Info 1

Governor's Budget Update for Fiscal Year 2026–27

Update on the Governor's Budget proposal for fiscal year 2026–27

Presenter: Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Director, Judicial Council Budget Services

V. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn