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Technology Committee

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JUDICIAL COUNCIL TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

December 11, 2025

10 a.m.

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Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Maria D. Hernandez, Chair; Mr. David Slayton, Vice-Chair; Ms. Kate Bieker; Hon. Joan K. Irion; Mr. Charles Johnson; Hon. Jeffrey C. Kauffman; Hon. Ricardo R. Ocampo; Hon. Sheila F. Hanson, Liaison, Information Technology Advisory Committee

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Carol A. Corrigan; Mr. Craig Peters

Others Present: Mr. John Yee and Judicial Council staff

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. and took roll call.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the September 8, 2025, Judicial Council Technology Committee meeting.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1 – 4)

Item 1

Information Technology Advisory Committee (ITAC) 2026 Annual Agenda (Action Required)

Hon. Sheila F. Hanson presented ITAC's 2026 Annual Agenda to the committee for its approval.

Action: The committee voted to approve ITAC's 2026 Annual Agenda.

Item 2

IT Modernization Funding for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025–26: Local Court Projects (Action Required)

Ms. Lisa Chavez, Information Systems Supervisor, Judicial Council, explained the basis for the recommendation to reallocate funds for IT Modernization Local Court Projects for FY 2025–26 to the Superior Courts of Humboldt and Nevada Counties.

Action: The committee voted to approve reallocating funds for the IT Modernization Local Court Projects for FY 2025–26 to the Superior Courts of Humboldt and Nevada Counties, in the amounts of \$41,273 and \$30,471, respectively.

Item 3**IT Modernization Funding for FY 2025–26: Branchwide Programs (Action Required)**

Ms. Lisa Chavez presented the basis for the recommendation to confirm the direct allocation of funds for IT Modernization Branchwide Programs for FY 2025–26 to the Superior Court of Los Angeles County. The committee asked questions and discussed the request.

Action: The committee voted to approve the direct allocation of funds for IT Modernization Branchwide Programs for FY 2025–26 to the Superior Court of Los Angeles County in the amount of \$125,000.

Item 4**IT Modernization Funding for FY 2026–27 (Action Required)**

Ms. Lisa Chavez shared results of recent court technology assessments and considerations for setting funding priorities for the program’s FY 2026–27 cycle. She presented three ranked priorities proposed for the FY 2026–27 cycle: (1) cyber/information security; (2) case management systems; and (3) infrastructure. The committee discussed the importance of setting expectations for transparency in the funding process (outlined below) and agreed that project applications will be evaluated using a weighted scoring system, including public benefit, collaboration, and alignment with foundational cybersecurity practices.

The committee discussed the following expectations:

- Funding priorities should be shared with courts prior to the launch of the application.
- All project proposals are welcome regardless of alignment with the funding priorities.
- Not all applicant courts will be guaranteed funding, marking a shift from prior years when all applicant courts received funding.
- Not all project proposals submitted in the funding priority areas will be guaranteed funding.
- All project proposals will be ranked based on the new evaluation criteria (i.e., weighted scoring) and courts are encouraged to submit clear, well-supported applications.
- The IT Modernization budget availability is subject to change.
- Funding decision may be impacted by compliance with reporting and expenditure deadlines.

Staff will develop program resources to communicate expectations and support courts in preparing strong submissions.

Action: The committee voted to approve the proposed funding priorities, weighting the court project proposals, and setting expectations for the IT Modernization Local Court Project Funding for FY 2026–27.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved by the advisory body on January 12, 2026.