



Judicial Council of California

RULES COMMITTEE
NOTICE AND AGENDA OF OPEN VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

Tuesday, August 25, 2026

12:10–12:40 p.m.

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

Meeting materials for open portions of the meeting will be posted on the [Rules Committee](#) webpage on the California Courts website at least three business days before the meeting.

Request for ADA accommodations should be made at least three business days before the meeting and directed to: JCCAccessCoordinator@jud.ca.gov.

Members of the public seeking to make an audio recording of the open meeting portion of the meeting must submit a written request at least two business days before the meeting. Requests can be emailed to rulesmeetings@jud.ca.gov.

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 June 2, 2026, Rules Committee meeting and June 26, 2026, action by email.

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

This meeting will be conducted by electronic means. As such, the public may make comments in writing, in person, or remotely.

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 emailed to rulesmeetings@jud.ca.gov. Only written comments received by 12:10 p.m. on Monday, August 24 will be provided to advisory body members prior to the start of the meeting.

Remote Public Comment

Members of the public requesting to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting must provide 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. Requests to make a remote public comment must be received by 12:10 p.m. on Monday, August 24 via email to rulesmeetings@jud.ca.gov. 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.

III. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 01–03)

CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS (CALCRIM)

Judicial Council Report–Recommend Council Action

Item 1

Jury Instructions: Criminal Jury Instructions (2026 Supplement) (Action required – recommend Judicial Council action)

Presenter: Kara Portnow

CIVIL AND SMALL CLAIMS

Invitation to Comment–Recommend Circulation for Comment

Item 2/SP26-06

Rules and Forms: Amendment of Rule 2.900 (Amend rule 2.900) (Action required – recommend circulation for comment)

Presenter: Jenny Grantz

Item 3/SP26-07

Remote Proceedings: Implementation of Senate Bill 174 (Amend rules 3.670, 3.672, 5.9, 5.324, 5.531, and 5.900; revise form RA-020) (Action required – recommend circulation for comment)

Presenter: Jenny Grantz

IV. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

The next Rules Committee meeting will be held on: September 9 and 10, 2026.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn