



# Judicial Council of California

## Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

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### TRIAL COURT BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

February 26, 2025

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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**Advisory Body Members Present:** Judges: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin (Chair), Hon. J. Eric Bradshaw, Hon. Judith C. Clark, Hon. Julie A. Emede, Hon. Kimberly A. Gaab, Hon. Samantha P. Jessner, Hon. David C. Kalemkarian, Hon. Patricia L. Kelly, Hon. Lisa M. Rogan, and Hon. Sonny S. Sandhu

Executive Officers: Ms. Rebecca Fleming (Vice Chair), Ms. Stephanie Cameron, Mr. Chad Finke, Mr. Kevin Harrigan, Mr. Shawn C. Landry, Mr. Brandon E. Riley, Mr. Michael M. Roddy, Mr. Chris Ruhl, Ms. Kim Turner, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki

**Advisory Body Members Absent:** Hon. Wendy G. Getty, Hon. Michael J. Reinhart, Mr. Darrel E. Parker, and Mr. David W. Slayton

**Others Present:** Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Ms. Fran Mueller, Ms. Donna Newman, Ms. Oksana Tuk, and Ms. Rose Lane

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#### OPEN MEETING

##### Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m., and took roll call.

##### Approval of Minutes

The advisory body approved the minutes of the February 6, 2025, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) meeting.

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#### DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEM 1-2)

##### Item 1 – Fiscal Year (FY) 2024–25 Trial Court Trust Fund Court Interpreters Program Mid-Year Reallocation (Action Required)

Consideration of mid-year reallocation of Trial Court Trust Fund Court Interpreters Program unspent funding for FY 2024–25.

**Action:** The TCBAC unanimously voted to approve the following recommendations for consideration by the Judicial Branch Budget Committee and then the Judicial Council at its April 25, 2025, business meeting:

1. Approve the FY 2024–25 mid-year reallocation of \$699,000 and augmentation of \$11.6 million from the remaining \$30.4 million program savings balance, as outlined in Attachment A;
2. Direct council staff to conduct an additional survey prior to the end of FY 2024–25 to reallocate available savings to those courts with a funding shortfall based on final expenditures for the current year; and
3. Direct council staff to repeat the mid-year survey and reallocation process in FY 2025–26 and determine if the trial courts need additional funding from the remaining program savings balance of \$18.8 million to support court interpreter services.

**Item 2 – FY 2024–25 Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act Mid-Year Reallocation (Action Required)**

Consideration of mid-year reallocation of CARE Act unspent funding for FY 2024–25.

**Action:** The TCBAC unanimously voted to approve a reallocation of \$400,000 of unspent CARE Act funding in FY 2024–25 to two trial courts as outlined in Attachment A for consideration by the Judicial Branch Budget Committee and then the Judicial Council at its April 25, 2025, business meeting.

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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 12:16 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on April 16, 2025