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Re: Annual Report on Contracts for the Trial Courts for the Fiscal Year
Ended June 30, 2026, as required under Public Contract Code
section 19209

Dear Senator Wiener and Assembly Member Gabriel:

Under the requirements of Public Contract Code section 19209, the Judicial Council is submitting the attached report on new contracts, contract payments to vendors from trial courts, and contract amendments during the reporting period July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

The report identifies the amounts of payments to the contractors and vendors, the types of services and goods provided, and the trial courts with which the contractors and vendors contracted to provide those goods and services. It also includes a list of all amended contracts as required, identifying the vendors, contractors, and types of services and goods provided under the contract, including any changes to the contract value, type of services or goods, or contract duration.

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If you have any questions related to this report, please contact Mr. Jason Lopez, director, Branch Accounting and Procurement, at 916-643-7063 or Jason.Lopez@jud.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle I. Curran".

Michelle Curran
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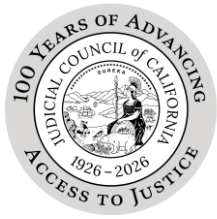
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Report title: *Annual Report on Contracts for the Trial Courts for
the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2026*

Statutory citation: Public Contract Code section 19209

Date of report: September 4, 2026

The Judicial Council has submitted a report to the Legislature in accordance with Public Contract Code section 19209. The following summary of the report is provided under the requirements of Government Code section 9795.

The Judicial Branch Contract Law (JBCL), enacted March 24, 2011, requires judicial branch entities to comply with the provisions of the Public Contract Code applicable to state agencies and departments related to the procurement of goods and services.

The JBCL also requires the Judicial Council to report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee and the State Auditor annually on contracting activities by trial courts. The reports contain specific information, including details about payments received by vendors and contractors and their associated contracts, contract amendments entered into by trial courts with vendors and contractors, and the nature of the services or goods provided under the reported contracts and amendments. Additionally, the JBCL requires judicial branch entities using the Financial Information System for California to make their contract and payment information available for the state's transparency website.

This report covers the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. The report lists contracts associated with these payments, as well as contracts with amendments.

The full report can be accessed at [Legislative Reports](#). A printed copy of the report may be obtained by contacting Mr. Jason Lopez, director, Branch Accounting and Procurement, at 916-643-7063 or Jason.Lopez@jud.ca.gov.

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Annual Report on Contracts for the Trial Courts for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2026

Report to the Joint Legislative Budget
Committee and the State Auditor, as
Required by Public Contract Code
Section 19209



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Introduction

The Judicial Council submits this report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee and the California State Auditor under section 19209 of the Public Contract Code to provide information related to contracts and payments for the trial courts. The report includes a list of vendors and contractors as required by section 19209(b). It further identifies the amounts of payments to the contractors and vendors, the types of services and goods provided, and the trial courts that entered into the contracts. The report summary also includes a list of all amended contracts, as required by section 19209(c), identifying the vendor or contractor, the type of service or good provided under the contract, and the nature, duration, and cost of the amendment.

The report is developed annually, covering the prior fiscal year ending June 30. This report covers the period from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

Court facilities contracts excluded

Section 19204 of the Public Contract Code provides that the Judicial Branch Contract Law¹ (JBCL) “does not apply to procurement and contracting by judicial branch entities that are related to trial court construction, including, but not limited to, the planning, design, construction, rehabilitation, renovation, replacement, lease, or acquisition of trial court facilities.”² This section also states that the JBCL “shall apply to contracts for maintenance of all judicial branch facilities that are not under the operation and management of the Department of General Services.”³ Appropriate exclusions and inclusions based on these criteria have been made in this report.

Other contracts excluded

Also excluded from the report are the following contracts, which are unique to the trial courts and not subject to the JBCL:

- Contracts (often referred to as memorandums of understanding) between a trial court and the local sheriff for court security services
- Contracts between a court and a court reporter when the court reporter provides services as an independent contractor
- Contracts between a court and a court interpreter when the court interpreter provides services as an independent contractor

Non-Trial Court Data

In July 2018, the judicial branch implemented the Financial Information System for California (FI\$Cal) for all entities other than the trial courts. The judicial entities using FI\$Cal include the Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, Habeas Corpus Resource Center, Judicial Council of California, Commission on Judicial Performance, and California Judicial Center Library.

¹ Pub. Contract Code, §§ 19201–19210. All further statutory references are to the Public Contract Code unless otherwise indicated.

² § 19204(c).

³ *Ibid.*

Under section 19209(a), procurement and payment transactions for the Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, Habeas Corpus Resource Center, and Judicial Council of California are available on the state's transparency websites, where summary or detailed data can be downloaded into an Excel format.

- Procurement transactions are available on the [State Contract & Procurement Registration System website](#). The judicial branch's department number is 0250. Users may apply date ranges on the site to limit the volume of information returned.
- Payment transactions are available on the State of California [transparency website](#). All the entities listed above are included under the judicial branch portion of data. Users may apply date ranges at the top of the page to limit the volume of information returned.

Trial Court Data

The information that relates to trial court contracting is extracted from the Phoenix Financial System. This information includes trial court payment and trial court contract reports. Table 1 explains the format of the reports and describes the data elements.

Table 1. Trial Court Contract Report: Comparison of Required Data Elements Under Public Contract Code Section 19209 With Actual Reports

Report	Data Elements	
	Required by Statute	In Trial Court Reports
Payment Report	Report vendors and contractors receiving any payment. Identify: 1. Amount of payment to the contractor or vendor; 2. Type of service or good provided; and 3. Judicial branch entity or entities with which the vendor or contractor was contracted to provide that service or good.	• Vendor name • Vendor ID • Contract number • Total payment amount • Goods/services • Judicial branch entity/court
Contract and Contract Amendment Report	Report each distinct contract between the vendor or contractor and a judicial branch entity. For all contract amendments made, identify: 1. Vendor or contractor; 2. Type of service or good provided under the contract; 3. Nature of the amendment; 4. Duration of the amendment; and 5. Cost of the amendment	• Court • Contract number • Vendor ID • Vendor name • Last reported contract value • Contract value (new/changed) • Goods/services (changed) • Contract duration (new/changed)

Statistics

Tables 2 and 3 provide statistical information for the July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, reporting period. Note that the totals may not equal 100 percent because numbers have been rounded. Table 2 provides an overall summary of contracts and payments for the reporting period.

Table 2. Overall Contract and Payment Statistics for Trial Courts: July 1, 2025, Through June 30, 2026

Payments	
Number	25,217
Dollar amount (in millions)	\$706.76
Number of associated contracts	13,571
Contracts	
New contracts	7,932
Value of new contracts (in millions)	\$560.8
Contracts with amendments	1,923
Value of amendments (in millions)	\$65.58

Table 3 provides a summary of all payments for goods and services by the trial courts during this reporting period. The table shows 25,217 payments representing approximately \$706.76 million associated with 13,571 contracts.

Table 3. Trial Court Payment Statistics, Goods, and Services Detail Summary: July 1, 2025, Through June 30, 2026

Goods/Services	No. of Payments	Value (\$)	No. of Contracts
ADVERTISING	130	\$671,086.33	68
BANKING AND INVESTMENT SERV	13	\$36,080.25	6
COLLECTION SERVICES	110	\$9,142,052.45	58
CONSULTING SERVICES - TEMP	83	\$1,351,412.98	50
CONSULTING/PROFESSIONAL SVCS	12	\$12,062,565.78	10
CONTRACTED SERVICES	226	\$12,226,301.30	182
COUNTY-PROVIDED SERVICES	162	\$49,778,741.37	126
COURT APPOINTED COUNSEL CHA	534	\$81,186,116.18	114
COURT INTERPRETER SERVICES	4,694	\$61,954,226.20	351
COURT ORDERED PROFESSIONAL	1,877	\$23,806,182.18	1,336
COURT REPORTER SERVICES	189	\$5,313,620.08	36
COURT TRANSCRIPTS	2,177	\$25,597,048.90	54
DUES AND MEMBERSHIPS	192	\$638,081.53	54
EMPLOYEE RELOCATION	2	\$7,137.09	1
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	279	\$2,925,711.82	230

Goods/Services	No. of Payments	Value (\$)	No. of Contracts
EQUIPMENT RENTAL/LEASE	150	\$5,333,071.23	104
EQUIPMENT REPAIRS	172	\$8,905,189.00	153
FACILITIES OPERATION	10	\$17,862.12	8
FEES/PERMITS	180	\$4,542,148.44	81
FREIGHT AND DRAYAGE	36	\$22,225.48	25
GENERAL CONSULTANT AND PROF	973	\$57,813,675.09	719
GENERAL EXPENSE	36	\$260,798.94	23
GENERAL EXPENSE - SERVICE	461	\$9,877,757.61	352
GROUNDS	35	\$599,928.29	23
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	13	\$1,417,129.80	9
INSURANCE	165	\$3,853,379.91	84
INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES	152	\$1,327,965.02	46
IT COMMERCIAL CONTRACT	319	\$28,865,782.45	286
IT INTER-JURISDICTIONAL CON	28	\$1,914,399.78	17
IT MAINTENANCE	548	\$26,286,211.19	496
IT OTHER	97	\$2,831,882.44	74
IT REPAIRS/SUPPLIES/LICENSE	1,495	\$64,830,594.73	1,337
JANITORIAL	213	\$31,369,517.09	145
JUROR COSTS	11	\$90,717.15	—
LABORATORY EXPENSE	30	\$82,059.88	14
LEGAL	167	\$6,270,255.05	92
LIBRARY PURCHASES AND SUBSC	649	\$14,270,253.24	464
MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLIES	373	\$6,421,048.09	318
MAJOR EQUIPMENT	227	\$20,275,902.63	218
MEDIATORS/ARBITRATORS	134	\$1,514,395.05	32
MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, EXHI	272	\$1,315,260.44	167
MINOR EQUIPMENT - UNDER \$5K	1,567	\$33,112,505.98	1,449
OFFICE EXPENSE	2,602	\$9,396,533.87	2,301
OTHER CONTRACT SERVICES	66	\$3,720,680.16	36
OTHER FACILITY COSTS - GOODS	160	\$1,610,855.82	108
OTHER FACILITY COSTS - SERV	95	\$1,708,185.26	74
OTHER ITEMS OF EXPENSE	44	\$200,509.10	37
OTHER TRAVEL EXPENSE	13	\$1,049.85	3
PHOTOGRAPHY	32	\$35,081.55	23
POSTAGE	44	\$2,562,153.94	25
POSTAGE METER	78	\$4,091,670.86	43
PRINTING	651	\$5,035,486.28	565
RENT/LEASE	60	\$3,656,630.40	39
SECURITY	144	\$21,546,724.24	104
SHERIFF	706	\$5,778,700.36	21
STAMPS, STAMPED ENVELOPES	226	\$8,297,779.29	111

Goods/Services	No. of Payments	Value (\$)	No. of Contracts
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	538	\$16,018,562.26	373
TRAINING	351	\$1,654,370.43	166
UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	42	\$32,066.12	40
VEHICLE OPERATIONS	172	\$1,293,440.04	90
Grand Total	25,217	\$706,758,760.39	13,571

Because of their size, the detailed reports, including any explanatory footnotes, are posted online separately for review. The reports can be accessed at [Reports and Publications](#).

Report Information

Trial Court Contract Report

The Phoenix Financial System is not configured to collect information about contracts in a manner that precisely matches the statutory reporting requirements. Here are some key factors to consider when reviewing the contract data related to the trial courts:

- The *Trial Court Contract Report* includes all contracts and amendments completed within the reporting period because including all contracts is more cost-effective than developing a report that includes distinct contracts for only the vendors that received more than one payment in the reporting period. “Vendor” is used synonymously with “contractor” in the report.
- Descriptions of goods and services are determined by the general ledger accounts entered in the system.
- The only amendment descriptions that can be reported are changes in the overall value or duration of an agreement or changes in the goods or services provided.
- As with most enterprise resource planning systems, the Phoenix Financial System cannot distinguish between a true amendment and an error correction. The Judicial Council relies on the trial courts to manually identify error corrections and omit them from this report.

Table 4 contains a list of the report fields and their descriptions.

Table 4. *Trial Court Contract Report* Field Names and Descriptions

Field Name	Field Description
Court	Judicial branch entity, specifically the name of the trial court with the associated contract.
Contract	Unique identifier for the contract; can be system-generated or a court-specific number.
Vendor ID	Unique identifier for the vendor; can be system-generated or a court-specific vendor identifier.
Vendor name	Name of the vendor.

Field Name	Field Description
Last reported contract value	The most recently reported contract value when the transaction record is for a contract that has been previously reported. (Only contracts created or amended after January 1, 2012, have been reported.)
Contract value (new)	Known or estimated original contract value when the transaction record is for a new contract.
Contract value (changed)	The increase or decrease to the contract value if changed within the reporting period, which may occur in the same reporting period as a new contract.
Goods/services	A description of the goods or services based on the general ledger accounts associated with the contract when the transaction record is for an original contract. <i>Note: The goods/services categories are rolled up from subaccounts, so descriptions may appear as duplicates but are separate subaccounts in the rolled-up category.</i>
Goods/services (changed)	A description of the changed goods or services based on the general ledger accounts associated with the contract when the transaction record refers to an amendment to the goods/services. <i>Note: The goods/services categories are rolled up from subaccounts, so descriptions may appear as duplicates but are separate subaccounts in the rolled-up category.</i>
Contract duration (new)	When the transaction record is for an original contract, the original contract duration in months or a fraction thereof.
Contract duration (changed)	When the transaction record refers to an amendment to the current contract duration, the increase or decrease to the contract duration in months or a fraction thereof.

Trial Court Payment Report

Here are some key factors to consider when reviewing the payment data:

- Goods/services descriptions are determined by the general ledger accounts entered in the system.
- A single payment may have multiple lines of data in the file if the payment is for multiple goods or services. Simple sorting by contract number keeps these records together. The reports can also be sorted by court/judicial branch entity or by vendor.

Table 5 contains a list of the report fields and their descriptions.

Table 5. Trial Court Payment Report Field Names and Descriptions

Field Names	Field Description
Court	Name of the trial court making the payment.
Contract number	Unique identifier for the contract under which the payment was made. (If the payment was not associated with a contract, this field will be blank.)
Goods/services	Description of the goods or services based on the general ledger account associated with the payment. <i>Note: The goods/services categories are rolled up from subaccounts, so descriptions may appear as duplicates but are separate subaccounts</i>

Field Names	Field Description
	<i>in the rolled-up category.</i>
Vendor ID	Unique identifier for the vendor.
Vendor name	Name of the vendor.
Total payments	Total payments to a vendor reported by court, contract, and goods or services under the contract. (Data can be sorted in various ways to obtain totals by court, vendor, contract, goods/services, etc.)