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Re: *2025 Training for Judicial Officers Under Gov. Code, § 68555.5 Report*

Dear Ms. Jenkins, Ms. Contreras, and Ms. Parker:

The Judicial Council is submitting the *2025 Training for Judicial Officers Under Gov. Code, § 68555.5 Report* relating to judicial training programs in domestic violence and child custody matters.

| **2025 Training for Judicial Officers Under Gov. Code, § 68555.5 Report** | |
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| ***Title of Training Course*** | ***Number of Judicial Officer Participants*** |
| B. E. Witkin Judicial College (July): Immigration Law for State Court Judges | 47 |
| B. E. Witkin Judicial College (July): Domestic Violence | 138 |
| B. E. Witkin Judicial College (October): Immigration Law for State Court Judges | 42 |
| B. E. Witkin Judicial College (October): Domestic Violence | 138 |
| Beyond the Bench (November): Emerging Issues Impacting Youth—Navigating the New AI Landscape | 7 |
| Beyond the Bench (November): The Role of Harm Reduction in the Courtroom and Beyond | 5 |
| Beyond the Bench (November): Domestic Violence Legal Update | 38 |
| Beyond the Bench (November): Children Exposed to Violence—Understanding Trauma and Supporting Resilience in the Judicial System | 13 |
| Cow County Institute (June): Recent Developments in Domestic Violence | 33 |
| Cow County Institute (June): Domestic Violence and Firearms—Current Legal Framework | 46 |
| Criminal Law Institute (December): Firearms Relinquishment | 77 |
| Criminal Law Primary Assignment Orientation (January) | 42 |
| Criminal Law Primary Assignment Orientation (June) | 54 |
| Criminal Law Primary Assignment Orientation (October) | 23 |
| Domestic Violence (February): Nuts and Bolts | 64 |
| Family Law Institute (April):<br>• The Intersection of Domestic Violence and Custody and Visitation<br>• Do I Let it in? Evidence in Family Law Cases | 133 |
| Family Law Primary Assignment Orientation (January):<br>• Domestic Violence Law<br>• Child Custody and Domestic Violence<br>• Domestic Violence Overlay | 39 |
| Family Law Primary Assignment Orientation (June):<br>• Domestic Violence Law<br>• Child Custody and Domestic Violence<br>• Domestic Violence Overlay | 25 |
| Family Law Primary Assignment Orientation (October):<br>• Domestic Violence Law<br>• Child Custody and Domestic Violence<br>• Domestic Violence Overlay | 24 |

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| Handling Human Trafficking Cases (September) | 28 |
| Juvenile Dependency Primary Assignment Orientation (January): Domestic Violence in Dependency Cases | 22 |
| Juvenile Dependency Primary Assignment Orientation (June): Domestic Violence in Dependency Cases | 15 |
| Juvenile Justice Primary Assignment Orientation (March):<br>• Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children: Identifying Risk and Addressing Trauma<br>• Restraining Orders<br>• Trauma, Mental Health, and Domestic Violence: Recommendations for Practice as a Juvenile Justice Court Judge | 17 |
| Juvenile Justice Primary Assignment Orientation (October):<br>• Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children: Identifying Risk and Addressing Trauma<br>• Restraining Orders<br>• Trauma, Mental Health, and Domestic Violence: Recommendations for Practice as a Juvenile Justice Court Judge | 24 |
| Probate Law Primary Assignment Orientation (January): Civil Protective Orders | 33 |
| Rule 5.632 (December): You Mean We Were Supposed to Be Doing This All Along? A new rule, old law—and big implications for your courtroom | 117 |
| **Total** | **1,244** |

If you have any questions related to this report, please contact Karene I. Alvarado, Director, Center for Judicial Education and Resources at 415-865-7761 or Karene.Alvarado@jud.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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