JUDICIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Administrative Office of the Courts
Malcolm M. Lucas Board Room
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102-3688
Open to the Public (Except When Otherwise Noted)

AGENDA

June 22, 2005 Educational and Planning Discussions (Closed)

With Governing Board of the State Bar of California and chairs and vice chairs of council advisory committees 1:30–4:30 p.m.

June 23, 2005 Planning Discussions (Closed)

With chairs and vice chairs of council advisory committees **8:00 a.m.**—**4:30 p.m.**

June 24, 2005 Business Meeting 8:30–11:20 a.m.

8:30–8:45 a.m. Public Comment Related to Trial Court Budget Issues*

[Subject to requests]

*This time is reserved for public comment on discussion agenda items relating to trial court budgets.

8:45–8:50 a.m. **Approval of Minutes of April 15, 2005**

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8:50–9:10 a.m. **Judicial Council Committee Presentations**

Executive and Planning Committee Hon. Richard D. Huffman, Chair Policy Coordination and Liaison Committee

Hon. Marvin R. Baxter, Chair Rules and Projects Committee

Hon. Laurence Donald Kay, Chair

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9:10–9:25 a.m. **Judicial Council Court Visit Reports**

Hon. Heather D. Morse, Team Leader

Ms. Sheila Calabro, Southern Regional Office

Mr. Michael Roddy, Northern/Central Regional Office Report on visits to the Superior Courts of Kings, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara Counties.

9:25–9:40 a.m. Hon. Michael T. Garcia, Team Leader

Chief Justice's Report

Ms. Sheila Calabro, Southern Regional Office

Report on visits to the Superior Courts of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

Chief Justice Ronald M. George will report on activities in which he has been involved since the last Judicial Council meeting.

Consent Agenda (Items 1–7)

(Council members wishing to request that any item be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Discussion Agenda, please notify Nancy Spero at 415-865-7915 at least 48 hours before the meeting.)

Item 1

9:40–9:45 a.m.

Approval of an Additional Subordinate Judicial Officer Position (AB 1058 Commissioner) in the Superior Court of San
Bernardino County as Authorized by Government Code section 71622(a) and Family Code section 4252 (Action Required)

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends that the council approve, pursuant to Government Code section 71622(a) and Family Code section 4252, an additional full-time subordinate judicial officer for the AB 1058 child support commissioner program in San Bernardino County due to the increased caseload of the local child support agency.

Staff: Mr. Michael Wright

Center for Families, Children & the Courts

Item 2

Revisions to Base Allocations for Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program for Fiscal Year 2005–2006 (Action Required)

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends that the council approve revised base allocations for the child support commissioner and the family law facilitator program for FY 2005–2006.

Staff: Mr. Michael Wright

Center for Families, Children & the Courts

Item 3a

Facilities: Authorization for the Administrative Director of the Courts (or Designee) to Approve the Property Acquisition

Agreement for a Building Site for the Court of Appeal, Fourth

Appellate District Under Government Code Section 69204(a)

(Action Required)

AOC staff recommends that the Judicial Council authorize the Administrative Director of the Courts or his designee to approve and execute the property acquisition agreement for the Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division Three, in Orange County, under Government Code section 69204(a), provided that the terms and conditions are substantially the same as those presented to the council at the April 15, 2005, business meeting. In the event that the terms and conditions of the acquisition agreement are materially different from those presented at the April 15, 2005, meeting, AOC staff recommends that the council authorize its Executive and Planning Committee either to approve the acquisition agreement and related documents or to send the matter to the Judicial Council for its further consideration.

Staff: Mr. Clifford Ham

Office of Court Construction and Management

Item 3b

Court Facilities Planning: Five-Year Infrastructure Plan, Fiscal Year 2006–2007 (Action Required)

AOC staff recommends the adoption of the annual Five-Year Infrastructure Plan, Fiscal Year 2006–2007, for AOC and court facilities and the submission of the plan to the Department of Finance, pursuant to Government Code section 70391, and that staff be directed to request Fiscal Year 2006—2007 funding from the Department of Finance for projects ranked #1, #4 and #5, in the Plan.

Staff: Ms. Kelly Popejoy

Office of Court Construction and Management

Item 4

Report to the Legislature on Superior Court Purchase and Lease of Electronic Recording Equipment (Gov. Code, § 69958)
(Action Required)

AOC staff recommends approving submission of a mandated report to the Legislature, pursuant to Government Code section 69958, regarding purchases and leases of electronic recording equipment that will be used to record superior court proceedings.

Staff: Ms. Vicki Muzny
Finance Division

Item 5 Annual Report of Fiscal Year 2003–2004 Court Reporter Fees Collected and Expenditures for Court Reporter Services in Superior Court Civil Proceedings (Gov. Code, § 68086(c)) (Action Required)

AOC staff recommends approval of a mandatory report to the Legislature concerning past year court reporter fees revenues collected in accordance with Government Code section 68086(a)(1) and 68086(a)(4) and of expenditures related to court reporters in superior court proceedings.

Staff: Mr. Ruben Gomez
Finance Division

Item 6 Approval of Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy and Procedures for Trial Court Judges and Employees (Action Required)

AOC staff recommends adoption of revised policies, schedules, and procedures for trial court business-related travel expenses as required annually by Government Code section 69505.

Staff: Mr. Mark Crouse Finance Division

Item 7 Judicial Council Jury Instructions: Approve Publication of Revisions and Additions to Civil Instructions Under California Rules of Court, rule 855(d) (Action Required)

The Advisory Committee on Civil Jury Instructions recommends approval of the publication of revisions to the Judicial Council of California Civil Jury Instructions that were first published in September 2003 and last amended in February 2005.

Staff: Ms. Lyn Hinegardner
Office of the General Counsel

Discussion Agenda (Items 8-10)

Item 8 Judicial Council Distinguished Service Awards for 2004–2005

This item was removed from the agenda.

Item 9

9:45-10:05 a.m.

Facilities: Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation
Monitoring and Reporting Plan for a New Building in Santa Ana,
for the Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Under
California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15025 and
15074 (Action Required)

AOC staff recommends approval of a resolution adopting a mitigated negative declaration and mitigation monitoring plan for the Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division Three, in Orange County.

Presentation (10 minutes)
Speakers: Ms. Kim Davis

Office of Court Construction and Management

Mr. Melvin Kennedy

Office of the General Counsel

Discussion/Council Action (10 minutes)

10:05–10:20 a.m. **BREAK**

<u>Item 10</u>

10:20-11:20 a.m.

Specific Trial Court Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2004-2005 and Fiscal Year 2005-2006 (Action Required)

AOC staff recommends that the Judicial Council approve year-end adjustments in FY 2004–2005 funding for court-appointed counsel related costs. Staff also recommends that the council approve FY 2005–2006 funding for the trial courts, that includes limited new allocations that are not subject to the State Appropriations Limit allocation methodology, the permanent allocation of prior year reductions, and the restoration of one-time reductions. [Note: Allocations subject to the State Appropriations Limit allocation methodology will be considered by the Judicial Council at the next business meeting following enactment of the State Budget.]

Presentation (30 minutes)

Speakers: Ms. Christine M. Hansen

Finance Division Mr. Stephen Nash

Finance Division Discussion/Council Action (30 minutes)

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