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# REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

For business meeting on: June 22, 2012

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Technology: Report from the Technology Committee	June 22, 2012
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### Executive Summary

The CCMS Internal Committee recommends that the Judicial Council change the committee's name to the Technology Committee. The committee oversees the council's policies on technology and advises the council on technology-related policy decisions. On March 27, 2012, the Judicial Council directed the committee, in partnership with the trial courts, to develop timelines and recommendations for terminating CCMS V4 as a statewide technology project, establish an approach and vision for implementing technology that serves the courts and the public, leverage the CCMS technology, and provide technology solutions for the near term, establish a court technology governance structure, develop alternatives for the V4 early adopter court San Luis Obispo to meet its needs, and develop strategies to assist courts with critical case management system needs. The Technology Committee will provide an update on the status of its activities since the March 27 meeting.

## **Recommendation**

The CCMS Internal Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective June 22, 2012, change the name of the CCMS Internal Committee to the Technology Committee.

## **Previous Council Action**

In December 2010, the Executive and Planning Committee approved the previous CCMS governance model, which was developed to provide broader participation by the judicial branch and justice system partners. The council assumed the role of CCMS executive sponsor and designated the Administrative Director of the Courts as the lead executive for the CCMS project. In April 2011, the Chief Justice appointed a new internal Judicial Council committee charged with overseeing the council's policies on CCMS. The committee was to advise the council on CCMS-related policy decisions and report on CCMS progress, ensuring that the Judicial Council was fully informed and up-to-date and that deployment of CCMS would be undertaken in a way that is consistent with policies and priorities established by the council. The Judicial Council, effective April 29, 2011, voted to ratify the Chief Justice's establishment of the CCMS Internal Committee.

At the July 22, 2011, Judicial Council business meeting, the council voted to redirect \$56.4 million from the California Court Case Management System to trial court operations. A portion of this redirected funding would have been used for maintenance of the application and completion of a software release to incorporate legislative and other necessary changes that occurred since the requirements for the CCMS application were created in 2007. The CCMS Internal Committee and the CCMS Executive Committee were asked to return to the Judicial Council at its October 2011 meeting to review all options for moving forward with CCMS within the current budget constraints.

At its October 28, 2011, business meeting, the Judicial Council authorized the Administrative Office of the Courts to execute a letter of intent to begin a due diligence process with the Chan Soon-Shiong Family Foundation and the State Bar. A status update on the CCMS project, including deployment, was also provided at the meeting. An update on CCMS and the due diligence process for the CCMS Collaborative Project was provided to the council on December 12, 2011. At the January 24, 2012, meeting, the council voted to suspend the due diligence process for the Collaborative Project. An update on the report to the Legislature was provided at the February 28, 2012, business meeting.

On March 27, 2012, the Judicial Council held a special full-day session on CCMS. Agenda items included:

- Presentation by the consulting firm Grant Thornton LLP of the CCMS Deployment Plan and Approach. The presentation included a cost analysis on the early adopter deployment to San Luis Obispo, as well as an approach and cost benefit analysis for the deployment of CCMS to 10 additional courts.

- A review and discussion of deployment options for CCMS given the current budgetary constraints.
- A report on the election of a \$16 million–delay cost reimbursement on the CCMS development contract.
- A review and discussion of the maintenance and operations costs for courts with V2 and V3 interim case management systems.

The council voted unanimously to stop deployment of the California Court Case Management System (CCMS V4) as a statewide court technology solution. Much of the discussion at the meeting was framed by the unprecedented budget reductions to the branch as a result of the ongoing state fiscal crisis, and by the estimated costs of deploying the system to the trial courts as detailed in the independent review by Grant Thornton LLP. The council directed the CCMS Internal Committee, in partnership with the trial courts, to develop timelines and recommendations to the council for:

- Establishing an approach and vision for implementing technology that serves the trial courts, litigants, attorneys, justice system partners, and the public while considering available resources and technology needs;
- Leveraging the V4 technology and developed software to benefit ongoing judicial branch technology solutions;
- Providing technology solutions in the near term to improve efficiencies in court operations by maximizing the value of document management systems, e-filing capabilities, and e-delivery services for the benefit of litigants, attorneys, justice partners, and the public.
- Establishing a judicial branch court technology governance structure that would best serve the implementation of the technology solutions otherwise included in these recommendations;
- Developing alternatives for the V4 early adopter court, the Superior Court of San Luis Obispo County, to meet its current case management system needs; and
- Developing strategies to assist trial courts with existing critical case management system needs.

The CCMS Internal Committee provided an update on the activities at the April 24, 2012, Judicial Council meeting.

### **Rationale for Recommendation**

With the termination of CCMS V4 as a statewide technology project and the new charge for the committee, changing the name to the Technology Committee will bring the committee name into alignment with the charge and reduce confusion about the status of CCMS.

### **Comments, Alternatives Considered, and Policy Implications**

Public comment has not been solicited on the recommendation to change the committee name.

## **Implementation Requirements, Costs, and Operational Impacts**

Minimal costs and impacts will result from the change of this committee name.

## **Attachments**

This report includes no attachments.