

Center that supports CARS, and to develop a centralized statewide treasury for use by all trial courts;

- B. Reaffirm its previous direction to staff to continue developing trial court technology initiatives and seek the necessary resources to provide a statewide Technology Center for use by all courts as appropriate, to stabilize courts with critical needs, to focus on a select number of viable case management systems, and supports and urges the continued development and implementation of the California case management system as quickly as possible as the statewide case management system intended for use by all courts.
 - C. Reaffirm its previous direction to staff to continue developing statewide human resources initiatives and seek the necessary resources to provide Trial Court Benefits and Workers' Compensation Programs, to implement statewide systems supporting Trial Court HR needs and Judicial Branch Succession Planning, to conduct Trial Court Fast Track Training and Human Resources Conference, and to implement the Trial Court Interpreters Program (Senate Bill 371);
 - D. Reaffirm its previous direction to staff to continue developing a program and seek the necessary resources to provide comprehensive legal services for the courts, with the intent that all courts will eventually obtain their legal services solely through the AOC. This policy does not apply to research attorneys, who would continue to assist judges in cases pending before the court, and to assist the court in the development of local policies, programs, and rules, and in conducting local policy research activities and educational programs. In addition, large courts with issues that require regular access to legal counsel (e.g., for employment, labor, contract, or judicial administration matters) could request the approval of the Administrative Director of the Courts to place AOC attorneys directly in the court, or to hire their own in house counsel, who would work in coordination with the AOC's Office of the General Counsel.
2. To avoid duplication of service and the unnecessary investment of time and other resources, the Judicial Council established the following policies:
- A. AOC staff shall continue to work together with the trial and appellate courts and provide periodic updates to courts on the development and implementation of statewide administrative services.
 - B. Trial courts interested in pursuing an alternative to a statewide approach shall obtain the review and approval of the Administrative Director of the Courts before proceeding;
 - C. Requests for new funding will not be approved when a statewide approach for delivering the service is available; and
 - D. AOC staff shall make recommendations to the council to redirect funds no