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Executive Summary

The following information outlines some of the many activities staff are engaged in to further the Judicial Council's strategic goals and priorities for the judicial branch. The report focuses on action since the council's meeting on March 15, 2024, and is exclusive of items on the May business meeting agenda.

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Judicial Branch Budget

Details and context on the Governor’s proposed May budget revisions relating to the fiscal year 2024–25 budget for the judicial branch were shared with court leaders. The May Budget Revision informs the branch’s advocacy efforts leading up to the June 15 constitutional deadline for the Governor to sign the state budget for the new fiscal year that begins on July 1, 2024.

Legislative Advocacy

- The [2024 Legislative Status Chart](#), published on the California Courts website, lists positions taken by the Judicial Council’s Legislation Committee on pending bills.
- Judicial Council senior staff and court leadership shared information on collaborative justice drug courts at an informational Senate subcommittee hearing on healthcare for the justice-involved and reentry population.

Expansion of Online Ability-to-Pay Tool

Statewide expansion of MyCitations, the online tool to submit a fine reduction request for infractions, continued with deployment to the superior courts in Alpine, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Inyo, Kern, Riverside, and Sonoma Counties. Fifty courts are now using the ability-to-pay application.

Pretrial Release Program

Court site visits were conducted for the Superior Courts of Fresno, Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus, and Tuolumne Counties to observe proceedings related to the pretrial release program, visit probation and jail partners, discuss program features, local guidelines, and address any program challenges.

Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act

Two convenings of the second CARE Court implementation cohort, (the remaining 50 trial courts), provided the opportunity to work on implementation plans for launching their CARE Courts in December 2024. A site visit was conducted with the Superior Court of San Francisco County and the county’s Behavioral Health department and local housing programs. Additionally, the Legal Services Trust Fund Commission’s CARE Court Grants Committee approved the request for proposals for fiscal year 2024–25 CARE Act Representation Grants.

Court Facilities Management and Maintenance

- Forty-one real estate transactions were completed, including lease renewals/extensions in 14 counties, event licenses, and Department of Rehabilitation permits.
- As of May 2024, there are 1,254 court facility modifications in progress at an estimated cost of \$443 million.

Audit Services

Fieldwork was completed for audits of the Superior Courts of Calaveras, Contra Costa, Kings, and Plumas Counties.

Diversity in Recruitment

The judicial branch was represented at the 2024 Training Symposium of the Association of California State Employees with Disabilities as well as at virtual career fairs for the Native American and Indigenous Workforce, the Pathways to California State Employment Inclusive Hiring event, and Diversity and Inclusion Government and Non-Profit Jobs.

Labor and Employee Relations

Labor negotiations assistance was provided to 17 trial courts, including side-letter negotiations, impact bargaining, and successor memoranda of understanding. Additionally, support was provided to courts on 25 labor and employee-related matters.

Juvenile Judicial Resources and Technical Assistance Program

Reviews of juvenile case files were conducted in the Superior Courts of Alameda, Imperial, Inyo, and Los Angeles Counties to identify any legal issues and training needs.

Bilingual Interpreter Testing

The certified language examination was conducted at several test locations in Northern and Southern California with 167 Spanish language examinations administered.

Collaboration with Justice Stakeholders

Examples of recent stakeholder collaborations:

- Council of Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health: Mental health diversion and criminal justice projects affecting trial courts.
- Attorney General's Criminal History Record Improvement Advisory Committee: Cross-branch solutions to data improvement.
- Department of State Hospitals: Incompetency to stand trial evaluator training, report quality improvement project, and best practices training for completing quality evaluations.

Advisory Bodies

The following standing Judicial Council advisory committees convened since the March 2024 business meeting:

1. Advisory Committee on Audits and Financial Accountability for the Judicial Branch
2. Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness
3. Appellate Advisory Committee
4. Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee
5. Court Executives Advisory Committee
6. Court Facilities Advisory Committee
7. Court Interpreters Advisory Panel
8. Criminal Jury Instructions Advisory Committee
9. Criminal Law Advisory Committee
10. Data Analytics Advisory Committee

11. Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee
12. Information Technology Advisory Committee
13. Judicial Branch Workers' Compensation Program Advisory Committee
14. Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee
15. Shriver Civil Counsel Act Implementation Committee
16. Traffic Law Advisory Committee
17. Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
18. Trial Court Facility Modification Advisory Committee
19. Trial Court Presiding Judges Advisory Committee
20. Tribal Court–State Court Forum

Meeting Details

Advisory Committee on Audits and Financial Accountability for the Judicial Branch

- Approved publication of reports for audits of five superior courts: Fresno, Kings, Madera, San Bernardino, and Sonoma.

Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness

- Received updates on the new Language Access Services webpages, a new benchcard for judges on Using LGBTQ+ Inclusive Language and Pronouns, the California Court Interpreter Workforce Pilot Program, and Senate Bill 949 (lactation accommodation).
- *Language Access Subcommittee*: Reviewed public comments on rule and form changes necessitated by Assembly Bill 1032 (Stats. 2023, ch. 556), which made significant changes and improvements to the Trial Court Interpreter Employment and Labor Relations Act.

Appellate Advisory Committee

- Discussed pending legislation that touches on appellate practice.

Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee

- Approved the draft Judicial Council report for proposed Rule 10.465 on education requirements and recommendations for justices, judges, and subordinate judicial officers on fairness and access.

Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee

- Discussed the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program Grant Funding, training ideas from the Ad Hoc Education Workgroup, and a presentation on proposed data definitions to support trial court reporting on mental health diversion petitions.
- Received updates on a federal grant related to gun relinquishment, and the Superior Court of Solano County's Collaborative Justice Court implementation of the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Justice-Involved Initiative.
- Reviewed newly introduced legislation that may impact collaborative courts.
- *Racial Justice, Equity, and Inclusion Subcommittee*: Discussed the forthcoming report to the council.

- *Juvenile Subcommittee*: Discussed a resource repository to help courts develop or improve a juvenile collaborative justice court.

Court Executives Advisory Committee

- Received updates on the state budget, the Resource Allocation Study, and an overview of the [Bench-Bar Coalition](#).
- Discussed considerations and best practices for data sharing and improvement as well as collaboration challenges related to automatic record relief.
- Received updates on current budget conditions, the Judicial Branch Workers' Compensation Program, and the Superior Court of Placer County's Judicial Branch Statistical Information System data quality plan.
- *Judicial Branch Statistical Information System Subcommittee*: Discussed changes to version 4.0 of juvenile dependency and mental health reports.

Court Facilities Advisory Committee

- Reviewed the schematic design for the new Ukiah courthouse, Mendocino County.
- Reviewed the draft *Judicial Branch Five-Year Infrastructure Plan*, Capital Outlay Budget Change Proposals for fiscal year 2025–26, and a draft update to the *California Trial Court Facilities Standards*.

Court Interpreters Advisory Panel

- Considered recommended updates to the *Compliance Requirements for Certified Court and Registered Interpreters*.
- Received informational presentations on updating the *Professional Standards and Ethics for California Court Interpreters* and on the proposed California Court Interpreter Workforce Pilot Program.

Criminal Jury Instructions Advisory Committee

- Reviewed and considered 26 proposed changes, including new case law related to gang instructions and user suggestions about lawful performance and protective order violation instructions.

Criminal Law Advisory Committee

- Discussed pending mental health and criminal law legislation during a joint subcommittee meeting with members of the Criminal Law and Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committees.
- *Pretrial Policy and Data Subcommittee*: Analyzed pretrial efforts by the branch since 2016 and received information on statewide implementation efforts on the Pretrial Pilot Program, outcomes to date, and observations from court site visits.

Data Analytics Advisory Committee

- Received an update and overview on the Resource Assessment Time Study and discussed data dashboard governance.

Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee

- Reviewed legislative bills on dependency, delinquency, domestic violence, and family law, including Senate Bill 554 regarding restraining orders.
- Considered Assembly Bill 1058 Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program funding for fiscal year 2024–25, Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) augmentation funding methodology, CASA Local Assistance for fiscal year 2024–25, and a report to the legislature for CASA funding and program development.
- Reviewed comments received on a rule of court proposal implementing recent child support legislation (Senate Bill 343).

Information Technology Advisory Committee

- Established the Information Technology Modernization Funding Workstream for fiscal year 2024–25 and reviewed 140 funding applications and project recommendations for submission to the Technology Committee.
- Established the 2025–26 Tactical Plan for Court Technology Workstream.

Judicial Branch Workers Compensation Program Advisory Committee

- Received information on the excess insurance market for the upcoming program year and results from the program’s request for proposals for auditing services.
- Reviewed program initiatives for the upcoming year, including development of data analytics tools and resources to enhance risk control management and increase member accessibility.

Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee

- Discussed conservatorship forms and materials.
- *Legislative Subcommittee*: Discussed Senate Bill 1002 (firearms prohibitions), Assembly Bill 2148 (professional fiduciaries), Senate Bill 1458 (digital assets), Assembly Bill 1127 (trust termination), and Assembly Bill 2224 (special immigrant juvenile status).

Shriver Civil Counsel Act Implementation Committee

- Received updates on pilot project data, development of the 2025 Legislative Report, and program finances; discussed development of a program reserve fund policy; and received a presentation on a proposal for a 2024 mid-cycle allocation to current pilot projects.

Traffic Law Advisory Committee

- Analyzed and discussed pending legislation, including Assembly Bill 2687 (driving under the influence).

Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

- Reviewed fiscal year 2025–26 budget change concepts from other advisory bodies that impact the trial courts for which the committee has purview and can provide input.
- Considered a recommendation for an increase to the fiscal year 2023–24 allocation for the Judicial Council’s Legal Services office to address increased legal support for the trial courts.
- Considered recommendations for fiscal year 2024–25 allocations from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund.

- Considered recommendations for fiscal year 2024–25 allocations for the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment Act program; court-appointed dependency counsel; court reporter services; self-help; Assembly Bill 1058 child support program; the self-help pilot program technology model project; and pretrial release services.

Trial Court Facility Modification Advisory Committee

- Authorized expenditures of \$6,713,540 and an additional \$17,963 for security-related projects.
- Received updates on court-funded facilities requests, facility modification projects on hold, maintenance performance and deferred maintenance projects, sustainability initiatives, and Architectural Revolving Fund projects.

Trial Court Presiding Judges Advisory Committee

- Received updates on the state budget, the Resource Allocation Study, and an overview of the Bench-Bar Coalition.
- Discussed considerations and best practices for data sharing and improvement as well as collaboration challenges related to automatic record relief.

Tribal Court–State Court Forum

- Received legislative updates and a presentation on cross-jurisdictional collaboration in criminal justice cases and successful practices implemented by courts in Alaska.

Judicial Branch Education

The following courses and programs for judicial officers, court personnel, and justice system partners were created, updated, or delivered during this reporting period:

Summary

Judicial Education

1. Civil Law Institute
2. Family Law Institute
3. Title IV-E (Foster Care) Law and Process
4. New Judge Orientation
5. Qualifying Judicial Ethics Program

Judicial Officer, Court Employee, and Justice Partner Programs

6. Access to Visitation Grant Training
7. Advanced Skills for Experienced Court Managers and Administrators
8. Annual Labor Bargaining Update
9. Appellate Judicial Attorney Institute
10. Basic Training for Supervisors and Managers
11. Branchwide Leadership Academy
12. Budget/Legislative Outlook

13. Competency to Stand Trial Evaluators
14. Continuity of Operations Planning
15. Core Competencies: Preparing for Leadership
16. Court Clerk Training Institute: Family, Juvenile, Probate, Traffic
17. Court Self-Help Center and Family Law Facilitator Staff Weekly Training
18. Family Court Services Statewide Educational Institute
19. Indian Child Welfare Act Symposium, for Santa Clara County
20. Indian Child Welfare Act and Working Effectively with Tribal Communities
21. Labor Relations Academy
22. Labor Training
23. Making Difficult Conversations Productive
24. Train-the-Trainer: Ergonomic Risk Management
25. Understanding and Implementing Trauma-Informed Framework

Distance Education

Webinars

26. AB 1058 New Child Support Commissioner Orientation
27. Court Interpreter Ethics
28. Family Court Services New Court Professionals Institute
29. Title IV-E (Foster Care) and Process: Preparing for the 2025 Federal Audit
30. Neurodevelopmental Trauma

Videos

31. Gang Law Update
32. Legal Update: Juvenile Dependency 2024
33. Voir Dire: Jury Selection

Podcasts

34. Not a Rubber Stamp: Approving Private Attorney General Act Settlements
35. The Deepfake Dilemma

Publications Updates

36. Benchguide 130: Parental Rights and Adoptions

Detail

AB 1058 New Child Support Commissioner Orientation

Mandatory education in child support law and procedure.

Access to Visitation Grant Training

Family Code section 3200.5 and Standard 5.20 of the California Standards of Judicial Administration for grant recipients, court staff, and professional providers of supervised visitation and safe exchange services.

Annual Bargaining Update

For trial court management and human resources employees responsible for, or participating in, meet and confer over successor memoranda of understanding and side letters.

Appellate Judicial Attorney Institute

Updates on substantive law and procedure as well as a forum for refining skills and sharing innovative practices.

Approving Private Attorney General Act Settlements

Issues related to the Private Attorney General Act, including noticed motions, the reasonableness of penalties, enhancement awards, the scope of a release under the *Amaro* case, and evaluating allocation of class action versus Private Attorney General Act damages.

Branchwide Leadership Academy

Opportunity for trial and appellate court administrators to develop leadership skills through inter-court collaboration. Subject-matter experts from within and outside of the branch addressed topics such as multigenerational management, compassionate leadership, thinking beyond tradition, the importance of relationships, and motivating through adversity.

Budget/Legislative Outlook

Budget and legislative issues to be aware of during the coming labor bargaining year.

Civil Law Institute

Artificial Intelligence and the Law: Governance, ethical issues, and tools.

Competency to Stand Trial Evaluators

Best practices for completing quality evaluations, for current and prospective evaluators.

Continuity of Operations Planning

Beginner and advanced sessions for court staff users of the online planning system and scenario-based exercises to familiarize staff with their roles and responsibilities and evaluate the viability and effectiveness of their courts' continuity plans.

Core Competencies: Preparing for Leadership

Leadership roles and challenges, self-awareness, and developing excellent communication skills.

Court Clerk Training Institute

- *Family*: Reviews the life of a case, procedures for reviewing and processing documents, and courtroom procedures related to family law case types.
- *Juvenile*: Overview of the delinquency and dependency courtroom, and legal processing procedures.
- *Probate*: Practical insight into the various processes and procedures of probate proceedings.

- *Traffic*: Overview of procedures from processing citations to reporting to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Court Interpreter Ethics Training

Requirement for newly certified and registered interpreters within the first two years of enrollment.

Court Self-Help Center and Family Law Facilitator Staff Weekly Training

CARE Act convening updates, strategies for responding to debt collectors, fee waiver changes, strategies to mitigate bias in legal and aging services, and rural justice and remote proceedings.

Family Court Services New Court Professionals Institute

Rules of court, mediation, and domestic violence issues.

Family Court Services Statewide Educational Institute

Child custody and visitation issues, decision-making in family court, and neurodiversity in litigants.

Family Law Institute

Substantive and procedural law, best judicial practices, and innovations in the family courtroom.

Gang Law Update

New developments in laws related to prosecution of gang-related crimes and evidence.

Indian Child Welfare Act Symposium for Santa Clara County

Panel of professionals working with families and tribal communities.

Indian Child Welfare Act and Working Effectively with Tribal Communities

Training at the Superior Court of Mendocino County for Court Appointed Special Advocate program staff and volunteers, tribal leaders from multiple tribes, advocates, and other juvenile court partners.

Labor Training

Trial court labor relations professionals discuss current topics and trends, strategies for resolving complex labor issues, and best practice recommendations from labor relations experts.

Legal Update: Juvenile Dependency 2024

Cases involving the Indian Child Welfare Act, disposition and bypass, review hearings, Welfare and Institutions Code sections 366.26 and 388 hearings, juvenile restraining orders, and placement.

Making Difficult Conversations Productive

Strategies to strengthen current skills, identify areas for improvement, and opportunity to practice new strategies and behaviors.

New Judge Orientation

Orientation for new judges, commissioners, and referees to judicial duties and ethical responsibilities in ensuring fairness in all proceedings, promoting uniform court practices, and improving the administration of justice.

Qualifying Judicial Ethics Program

Core judicial ethics for judicial officers enrolled in the Commission on Judicial Performance insurance program.

Title IV-E (Foster Care) Law and Process

Training at the Superior Court of Orange County for juvenile dependency and delinquency judges.

Title IV-E (Foster Care) and Process: Preparing for the 2025 Federal Audit

Juvenile court stakeholders, including judges and attorneys, discuss preparation for the federal audit.

The Deepfake Dilemma

The phenomenon of digitally altered audio or video and the potential impact on the legal system.

Neurodevelopmental Trauma

A clinical lens on complicated issues facing judges, attorneys, court appointed special advocates, social workers, and probation officers.

Understanding and Implementing Trauma-Informed Framework

Deepening the understanding of trauma and creating a trauma-informed framework, for courts and practitioners in dependency and delinquency.

Voir Dire: Jury Selection

Fundamental purpose of voir dire, jury selection stages, courtroom staff responsibilities, and insight and guidance for those working in a trial department.

Judicial Council Staffing Metrics

As of April 30, 2024

	Executive Division				Leadership Services Division		Operations & Programs Division					Administrative Division				
STAFFING	Audit Services	Executive Office	Governmental Affairs	Public Affairs	Leadership Support Services	Legal Services	Business Mgmt Services	Center for Families, Children and the Courts	Center for Judicial Education & Research	Criminal Justice Services	Information Technology	Branch Accounting & Procurement	Budget Services	Facilities Services	Human Resources	Judicial Council
Authorized Position (FTE)	14.00	13.00	10.00	9.00	66.00	61.00	24.00	97.13	53.50	31.00	206.00	155.00	34.00	147.00	61.00	981.63
Filled Authorized Position (FTE)	10.00	11.00	9.00	7.00	60.00	49.50	22.00	78.63	48.00	27.00	128.00	142.00	26.00	132.00	54.00	804.13
Headcount - Employees	10	11	9	7	61	50	22	79	48	27	128	142	26	132	54	806.00
Vacancy (FTE)	4.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	6.00	11.50	2.00	18.50	5.50	4.00	78.00	13.00	8.00	15.00	7.00	177.50
Vacancy Rate (FTE)	28.6%	15.4%	10.0%	22.2%	9.1%	18.9%	8.3%	19.0%	10.3%	12.9%	37.9%	8.4%	23.5%	10.2%	11.5%	18.08%
Judicial Council Temp Employee (909)	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	10.00
Employment Agency Temporary Worker (FTE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	7.00
Contractors (FTE)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	58.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	63.80
TOTAL WORKFORCE (based on FTE, 909s, Agency Temps & Contractors)	10.00	14.00	9.00	7.00	61.00	50.50	26.00	82.63	48.00	31.00	186.80	142.00	26.00	133.00	58.00	884.93

See following page for definition of terms.

Staffing Category	Definition
Authorized Position (FTE)	All regular ongoing positions approved in the Budget Act for that year. The number is based on the position's approved full-time equivalency.
Filled Authorized Position (FTE)	The number of authorized positions filled based on the employee's full-time equivalency.
Headcount	The actual count of persons employed by the Judicial Council, regardless of FTE. This number could be more than the FTE count due to part-time employees being counted as "1." This count does not include Judicial Council Temporary Employees (909) or Employment Agency Temporary Workers.
Vacancy (FTE)	The number of authorized positions minus the number of filled authorized positions.
Vacancy Rate (FTE)	The number of authorized positions divided by the number of vacant authorized positions, excluding temporary employees ("909" funded employees). See Judicial Council Temporary Employees, below.
Judicial Council Temporary Employees (909)	An employee whose salary is not funded through the Budget Act and who may receive benefits if employed at least half-time and the term of employment is for more than six months. A 909 position is categorized by the Office of the State Controller as a temporary position used in the absence of an authorized position. 909 positions may be occupied by regular full-time employees because of the unavailability of an authorized vacant position. Types of "909" Temporary Employees include retired annuitants, who are hired by their former employer or by another employer that participates in the same retirement system as the former employer. This includes a former participant in a state retirement system who has previously retired and who is currently receiving retirement benefits. Temporary: Employees employed on a temporary basis; they do not receive full benefits (but do receive CalPERS retirement service credit).
Employment Agency Temporary Workers (FTE)	Workers from/employees of an employment agency who provide short-term support.
Contractor (FTE)	Individuals augmenting the work of the organization and providing services for a limited period or on a specific project, where a particular skill set is required that is either (1) not within an existing classification and/or job description or (2) where recruitment issues require the use of a contractor.
Full Time Equivalency (FTE)	The number of total maximum compensable hours designated in a year divided by actual hours worked in a year. For example, the work year is defined as 2,080 hours; one employee occupying a paid full-time job all year would consume one FTE. One employee working for 1,040 hours each year would consume .5 FTE.
Time Base	Full time: Employee is scheduled to work 40 hours per week. Receives full benefits. Part time: Employee is scheduled to work less than 40 hours per week. Employees that work more than 20 hours per week receive full benefits. Intermittent: Employee has no established work schedule and works on an as-needed basis that varies from one pay period to the next. Eligibility for certain benefits may be limited for these employees.
Regular Employee	Commonly referred to as "permanent employees." They receive full benefits.
Limited Term	A position that is funded through the Budget Act with a specific end date. The position is counted as an authorized position. Employees in limited-term positions may be regular or temporary.

Judicial Appointments and Vacancies Report

Judicial Appointments

The Governor made 38 new judicial appointments since the March Judicial Council meeting:

Courts of Appeal: First Appellate District (1), Second Appellate District (2).

Superior Courts: Alameda (1), Contra Costa (3), Fresno (1), Kern (1), Los Angeles (5), Marin (1), Merced (1), Nevada (1), Orange (1), Placer (1), Riverside (2), Sacramento (5), San Bernardino (1), San Diego (3), San Joaquin (1), San Mateo (1), Santa Clara (3), Solano (1), Ventura (1), Yolo (1).

Judicial Vacancy Roster Report

Number of Judgeships Authorized, Filled, and Vacant as of **May 1, 2024**

Type of Court	Number of Courts	Number of Judgeships				
		Authorized	Filled	Vacant	Filled (Last Month)	Vacant (Last Month)
Supreme Court	1	7	7	0	7	0
Courts of Appeal	6	106	99	7	99	7
Superior Courts	58	1,755	1,639	116	1,657	98
All Courts	65	1,868	1,745	123	1,763	105

NOTE: Vacancies occurring in the current reporting month are highlighted below in **yellow**.

Judicial Vacancies: Appellate Courts

Appellate District	Vacancies	Reason for Vacancy	Justice to be Replaced	Last Day
1st District	3			
Division One		Retired	Hon. Sandra Lynn	12/11/2023
Division Two		Elevated	Hon. Therese M. Stewart	11/30/2022
Division Four		Elevated	Hon. Tracie L. Brown	04/07/2023
2nd District	2			
Division Five		Retired	Hon. Laurence D. Rubin	02/29/2024
Division Seven		Retired	Hon. Dennis M. Perluss	11/15/2023
3rd District	1			
Third Appellate District		Elevated	Hon. Laurie M. Earl	07/10/2023
4th District	1			
Division Two		Retired	Hon. Marsha G. Slough	08/31/2023
TOTAL APPELLATE COURT VACANCIES	7			

Judicial Vacancies: Superior Courts

County	Vacancies	Reason for Vacancy	Judge to be Replaced	Last Day
Alameda	6			
		Retired	Hon. Jeffrey S. Brand	04/02/2024
		Retired	Hon. Dennis W. Hayashi	03/31/2024
		Retired	Hon. C. Don Clay	03/29/2024
		Retired	Hon. Evelio M. Grillo	03/15/2024
		Elevated	Hon. Tara M. Desautels	03/12/2024
		Retired	Hon. Paul D. Herbert	02/29/2024
Colusa	1			
		Retired	Hon. Jeffrey A. Thompson	12/01/2023
Contra Costa	3			
		Retired	Hon. Jill C. Fannin	02/16/2024
		Retired	Hon. Laurel S. Brady (Lindenbaum)	11/01/2023
		Retired	Hon. Leslie G. Landau	10/08/2023
Fresno	3			
		Retired	Hon. Adolfo M. Corona	04/30/2024
		Retired	Hon. Timothy A. Kams	04/30/2023
		Retired	Hon. Jon N. Kapetan	04/12/2023
Kern	2			
		Retired	Hon. Therese M. Foley	03/28/2024
		Retired	Hon. Stephen D. Schuett	12/29/2023
Kings	1			
		Retired	Hon. Randy L. Edwards	03/31/2024
Los Angeles	23			
		Retired	Hon. Suzette Clover	04/30/2024
		Retired	Hon. Mitchell L. Beckloff	04/05/2024
		Retired	Hon. Donna Groman	03/26/2024
		Retired	Hon. Maren E. Nelson	03/22/2024
		Retired	Hon. Henry J. Hall	03/21/2024
		Retired	Hon. Michael L. Stern	03/07/2024
		Retired	Hon. Dianna J. Gould-Saltman	03/01/2024
		Deceased	Hon. James R. Dunn	02/23/2024
		Retired	Hon. Paul A. Bacigalupo	02/22/2024
		Retired	Hon. Steven D. Blades	02/21/2024
		Retired	Hon. Amy M. Pellman	02/20/2024
		Retired	Hon. Tomson T. Ong	02/20/2024
		Retired	Hon. Malcolm H. Mackey	01/02/2024
		Retired	Hon. Michael I. Levanas	10/13/2023
		Retired	Hon. David A. Rosen	09/11/2023
		Retired	Hon. Stephen A. Marcus	08/09/2023
		Retired	Hon. H. Chester Horn, Jr.	08/01/2023
		Transferred	Hon. Michael C. Kelley	07/24/2023
		Retired	Hon. John H. Ing	07/15/2023
		Elevated	Hon. Helen Zukin	07/09/2023

County	Vacancies	Reason for Vacancy	Judge to be Replaced	Last Day
		Retired	Hon. Zaven V. Sinanian	07/07/2023
		Retired	Hon. Allen Joseph Webster, Jr.	06/29/2023
		Retired	Hon. Rafael A. Ongkeko	06/27/2023
Madera	1			
		Retired	Hon. Thomas L. Bender	12/31/2023
Marin	2			
		Retired	Hon. Verna A. Adams	04/01/2024
		Retired	Hon. Beverly K. Wood	03/31/2024
Mendocino	1			
		Retired	Hon. Jeanine B. Nadel	01/01/2024
Merced	2			
		Transferred	Hon. David Hood	10/09/2023
		Retired	Hon. David W. Moranda	04/24/2023
Modoc	1			
		Retired	Hon. Francis W. Barclay	09/13/2023
Monterey	1			
		Retired	Hon. Marla O. Anderson	04/30/2024
Napa	2			
		Retired	Hon. Victoria D. Wood	02/02/2024
		Elevated	Hon. Monique Langhorne Wilson	12/07/2023
Nevada	1			
		Retired	Hon. Linda J. Sloven	02/08/2024
Orange	12			
		Retired	Hon. David L. Belz	04/11/2024
		Retired	Hon. Brett G. London	01/31/2024
		Retired	Hon. James Edward Rogan	11/05/2023
		Retired	Hon. Peter J. Wilson	11/01/2023
		Retired	Hon. Douglas Hatchimonji	10/15/2023
		Retired	Hon. Stephanie George	08/31/2023
		Retired	Hon. Matthew S. Anderson	08/22/2023
		Elevated	Hon. Martha K. Gooding	05/19/2023
		Retired	Hon. Gregg L. Prickett	08/25/2022
		Retired	Hon. James J. Di Cesare	05/06/2022
		Retired	Hon. John L. Flynn III	03/09/2022
		Retired	Hon. Jacki C. Brown	02/02/2022
Placer	1			
		Retired	Hon. Colleen M. Nichols	03/05/2024
Riverside	2			
		Retired	Hon. Mark E. Johnson	02/20/2024
		Retired	Hon. Dale R. Wells	12/27/2022
Sacramento	7			
		Retired	Hon. James M. Mize	01/11/2024
		Retired	Hon. Allen H. Sumner	11/30/2023
		Retired	Hon. Paul L. Seave	08/18/2023
		Retired	Hon. Gerrit W. Wood	04/15/2023

County	Vacancies	Reason for Vacancy	Judge to be Replaced	Last Day
		Retired	Hon. Patrick Marlette	03/31/2023
		Retired	Hon. R. Steven Lapham	03/27/2023
		Retired	Hon. Sharon A. Lueras	03/14/2023
San Bernardino	6			
		Retired	Hon. Janet M. Frangie	04/30/2024
		Retired	Hon. Brian S. McCarville	04/18/2024
		Retired	Hon. Michael R. Libutti	02/21/2024
		Retired	Hon. Teresa M. Bennett	07/31/2023
		Retired	Hon. Ingrid Adamson Uhler	07/15/2023
		Retired	Hon. Lorenzo R. Balderrama	03/05/2023
San Diego	10			
		Retired	Hon. Robert P. Dahlquist	04/22/2024
		Retired	Hon. Eddie C. Sturgeon	04/15/2024
		Retired	Hon. Carlos O. Armour	03/06/2024
		Retired	Hon. Patricia Garcia	02/29/2024
		Retired	Hon. Harry L. Powazek	01/11/2024
		Retired	Hon. John S. Meyer	07/17/2023
		Retired	Hon. Gary M. Bubis	06/09/2023
		Retired	Hon. Desiree A. Bruce-Lyle	05/05/2023
		Retired	Hon. Peter L. Gallagher	04/28/2023
		Elevated	Hon. David M. Rubin	03/30/2023
San Francisco	1			
		Retired	Hon. Loretta M. Giorgi	01/01/2024
San Joaquin	4			
		Retired	Hon. Richard Vlavianos	04/30/2024
		Retired	Hon. Jose L. Alva	08/31/2023
		Retired	Hon. Robin Appel	03/31/2023
		Retired	Hon. Bernard J. Garber	02/28/2023
San Mateo	3			
		Retired	Hon. Robert D. Foiles	03/05/2024
		Retired	Hon. Marie S. Weiner	02/29/2024
		Elevated	Hon. Danny Y. Chou	06/23/2023
Santa Clara	9			
		Retired	Hon. Vanessa A. Zecher	04/30/2024
		Retired	Hon. Peter H. Kirwan	04/15/2024
		Retired	Hon. Vincent J. Chiarello	04/15/2024
		Retired	Hon. Nona L. Klippen	02/29/2024
		Retired	Hon. James E. Towery	05/17/2023
		Retired	Hon. Kenneth Paul Barnum	04/30/2023
		Retired	Hon. Patricia M. Lucas	04/26/2023
		Retired	Hon. Shelyna V. Brown	04/12/2023
		Retired	Hon. Deborah A. Ryan	02/28/2023
Santa Cruz	1			
		Retired	Hon. Timothy R. Volkmann	04/29/2024
Sierra	1			

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		Transferred	Hon. Yvette Durant	01/03/2022
Siskiyou	1			
		Retired	Hon. Karen L. Dixon	03/31/2024
Solano	1			
		Retired	Hon. Earl Bradley Nelson	06/28/2023
Stanislaus	1			
		Deceased	Hon. Ann Q. Ameral	06/18/2023
Sutter	1			
		Retired	Hon. Perry Parker	04/01/2024
Tulare	3			
		Retired	Hon. Hugo J. Loza	04/14/2024
		Retired	Hon. Brett R. Alldredge	01/05/2024
		Retired	Hon. Walter L. Gorelick	11/30/2023
Ventura	1			
		Retired	Hon. Bruce A. Young	12/06/2023
Yolo	1			
		Retired	Hon. David Rosenberg	12/30/2023
Total Vacancies	116			
Statewide Total	123			

Number of Judgeships Authorized, Filled, and Vacant: April 2022–April 2024

Superior Courts					Courts of Appeal			
Month	Authorized	Filled	Vacancy	Vacancy Rate	Authorized	Filled	Vacancy	Vacancy Rate
Apr-22	1,755	1,636	119	6.8%	106	95	11	10.4%
May-22	1,755	1,637	118	6.7%	106	93	13	12.3%
Jun-22	1,755	1,637	118	6.7%	106	90	16	15.1%
Jul-22	1,755	1,627	128	7.3%	106	90	16	15.1%
Aug-22	1,755	1,623	132	7.5%	106	92	14	13.2%
Sep-22	1,755	1,624	131	7.5%	106	92	14	13.2%
Oct-22	1,755	1,634	121	6.9%	106	92	14	13.2%
Nov-22	1,755	1,636	119	6.8%	106	92	14	13.2%
Dec-22	1,755	1,644	111	6.3%	106	92	14	13.2%
Jan-23	1,755	1,656	99	5.6%	106	90	16	15.1%
Feb-23	1,755	1,650	105	6.0%	106	91	15	14.2%
Mar-23	1,755	1,650	105	6.0%	106	91	15	14.2%
Apr-23	1,755	1,628	127	7.2%	106	95	11	10.4%
May-23	1,755	1,647	108	6.2%	106	95	11	10.4%
Jun-23	1,755	1,646	109	6.2%	106	97	9	8.5%
Jul-23	1,755	1,655	100	5.7%	106	100	6	5.7%
Aug-23	1,755	1,659	96	5.5%	106	99	7	6.6%
Sep-23	1,755	1,652	103	5.9%	106	100	6	5.7%
Oct-23	1,755	1,666	89	5.1%	106	100	6	5.7%
Nov-23	1,755	1,662	93	5.3%	106	99	7	6.6%
Dec-23	1,755	1,673	82	4.7%	106	98	8	7.5%
Jan-24	1,755	1,666	89	5.1%	106	100	6	5.7%
Feb-24	1,755	1,665	90	5.1%	106	100	6	5.7%
Mar-24	1,755	1,651	104	5.9%	106	99	7	6.6%
Apr-24	1,755	1,639	116	6.6%	106	99	7	6.6%

Percentage of Superior Court Judgeships Vacant: April 2022–April 2024

