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**Executive Summary**

The following information outlines some of the many activities staff is engaged in to further the Judicial Council's goals and priorities for the judicial branch. The report focuses on action since the council's October meeting and is exclusive of issues on the December business meeting agenda.

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## 2016 Summary of Court-Related Legislation

The annual *Summary of Court-Related Legislation* was made available to courts and posted online. The summary identifies more than 150 bills that affect court operations and procedures or are of general interest to the legal community. The summary may be viewed on the California Courts website at: [http://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/2016\\_LegSummary.pdf](http://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/2016_LegSummary.pdf).

## Legislative Outreach

As a follow-up to a number of small court visits with representatives of the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO), Governmental Affairs hosted a series of conference calls with the Superior Courts of Siskiyou, Marin, Plumas, Napa, and El Dorado Counties for the LAO to learn more about court funding issues, including impacts of the Workload Allocation Funding Methodology, and other issues related to the management and operations of small courts.

## Real Estate and Facilities Management

Status of Facility Modifications as of December 9, 2016:

Status	Number of Modifications	Estimated Cost
Awaiting Shared Cost	5	\$4,999,379
Hold for Project Managers	17	\$11,411,039
In Design	2	\$292,292
In Work	655	\$118,663,975
<b>Total</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>\$135,366,685</b>

Seventeen real estate transactions were completed, including a new expense lease, new revenue licenses, lease/license renewals, lease terminations, and event licenses as follows:

- New Lease
  - Inyo County, Jail-Adjacent Courthouse, Ground Lease
- New Revenue Licenses
  - Los Angeles County, Downey Courthouse, Downey Unified School District
  - Orange County, Central Justice Center, California Newspapers Partnership
- Lease/License Renewals
  - Santa Clara County, Sunnyvale Parking Facility
  - San Diego County, East County Regional Center, San Diego County Credit Union
- Lease Terminations
  - Santa Clara County, Superior Court Administration Office and Probate Investigators
  - Tulare County, Visalia Convention Center
- Event Licenses: Nine short-term event licenses were executed

## Labor and Employee Relations

Labor negotiations assistance was provided to 10 trial courts covering 12 different bargaining units. Services included successor Memoranda of Understanding negotiations, proposed policy revisions, and modifications to employer-employee relations rules. Additionally, support was provided on 11 different labor and employment related matters.

### **Judicial Resources and Technical Assistance**

- Staff visited juvenile courts in Alameda, San Francisco, and Del Norte counties to conduct courtesy file reviews and advise and consult with juvenile court bench officers, court staff, and agency stakeholders on practices and procedures required by federal and California law to protect children from abuse and neglect and prevent the loss of federal foster care funding.
- Information materials were developed for courts and court websites regarding the implementation of Propositions 57 (sentencing, parole reform) and 64 (legalize marijuana), and AB 2839 (calculation of remainder pre-trial custody credits).
- Staff visited the self-help centers in Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties to discuss document assembly in probate cases.

### **Trial Court Audits**

Audit fieldwork was completed for the Superior Court of Kern County.

### **Collaboration with Justice System Stakeholders**

Staff participated in numerous stakeholder meetings to further collaborative efforts on access to justice and other court-related issues. Meetings included those with the Chief Probation Officers of California Workgroup to discuss data reporting requirements associated with the Community Corrections Performance Incentive Act of 2009; the California Child Welfare Council regarding updating a data sharing agreement, and recommendations for model policies on priority employment of current and former foster youth; the California Child Support Directors Association Legal Practices Committee regarding statewide coordination on California's title IV-D child support program, and the Pew Charitable Trust on Self-Represented Litigants national meeting focused on innovations to improve outcomes for self-represented litigants in the civil justice system.

## **Advisory Committees/Task Forces/Working Groups**

The following advisory bodies met in person, by phone, or WebEx since the council's October meeting:

1. Appellate Indigent Defense Oversight Advisory Committee
2. Center for Judicial Education and Research Governing Committee
3. Court Facilities Advisory Committee
4. Court Security Advisory Committee
5. Criminal Law Advisory Committee
6. Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee
7. Information Technology Advisory Committee
8. Judicial Branch Financial Accountability and Efficiency Committee
9. Judicial Branch Workers' Compensation Program Advisory Committee
10. Pretrial Detention Reform Workgroup

11. Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee
12. Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Implementation Committee
13. Traffic Advisory Committee
14. Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
15. Trial Court Facility Modification Advisory Committee

## **Meeting Details**

### **Appellate Indigent Defense Oversight Advisory Committee**

- Reviewed the status and possible impact of Proposition 66 (death penalty reform), discussed direct case assistance, and reviewed audit case files.

### **Center for Judicial Education and Research Governing Committee**

- Reviewed a draft report on the Local Court Training Needs Assessment.
- Approved the final report of the 2014–2016 Education Plan.
- Approved nominations for the CJER Curriculum Committees.

### **Court Facilities Advisory Committee**

- Approved the demolition of existing buildings on the proposed sites for the new Redding Courthouse in Shasta County, the new Santa Barbara Courthouse, and the new Modesto Courthouse in Stanislaus County.
- Approved submittal of the fiscal year 2017–2018 Five-Year Plan to the Judicial Council.

#### *Courthouse Cost Reduction Subcommittee*

- Approved the schematic design of the Modesto Courthouse and approved the project to move forward into the design development phase considering revisions to improve durability of the building.
- Provided an update on cost reduction studies for the new Lakeport and Santa Barbara Courthouse projects.

### **Court Security Advisory Committee**

- Discussed the Trial Court Security Survey distributed to courts on October 20 to gather information on security needs and priorities.

### **Criminal Law Advisory Committee**

- Worked on court forms for Proposition 64 implementation.
- Worked on implementation of AB 2289 (appealing inclusion in the statewide gang database).
- Worked to develop the committee's annual agenda.
- Presented legislative proposals to the council's Policy Coordination and Liaison Committee and finalized Judicial Council reports for proposals, including electronic filing, intercounty transfers, release under court-operated or approved pretrial programs, applying court commissioners to the definition of magistrates, and multiple county sentencing procedures.

### **Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee**

- Discussed the Mental Health Implementation Task Force recommendations, and child abuse allegations in family law matters.

### **Information Technology Advisory Committee**

- Reviewed the year's accomplishments and established the annual agenda for 2017.
- Considered a recommendation to circulate the updated Tactical Plan for Technology for public comment.
- Considered the final deliverable of the Data Exchange Workstream.

### **Judicial Branch Financial Accountability and Efficiency Committee**

- Presented the audit report for the Superior Court of Fresno County for placement on the consent agenda for the January council meeting.

### **Judicial Branch Workers' Compensation Program Advisory Committee**

- *Settlement Authority Working Group*: Developed a draft workers' compensation settlement authority policy and settlement authorization form for committee review.

### **Pretrial Detention Reform Workgroup**

- Workgroup members were appointed by the Chief Justice in October.
- Discussed the process for the coming year relative to the group's charge to provide analysis and recommendations for areas in which courts may identify better ways to make release decisions that will treat people fairly, protect the public, and ensure court appearances.

### **Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee**

- Discussed proposals to improve the quality of legal representation for persons with developmental disabilities in limited conservatorship proceedings. Several of these proposals were incorporated into the committee's proposed 2017 annual agenda.

### **Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Implementation Committee**

- Discussed the draft Request for Proposal and grant procedures for new and continuing programs for the coming year.

### **Traffic Advisory Committee**

- Presented proposals to the council's Rules and Projects Committee regarding public comment received on rule and form proposals to improve notice and opportunity to be heard on ability to pay, installment plans, and community service.
- Reviewed public comments and finalized the 2017 Uniform Bail and Penalty Schedule.
- Began to develop forms to help courts implement ability to pay determination.

### **Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee**

- Reviewed and recommended for council consideration allocation of excess funds to the trial courts from the Juvenile Dependency Counsel Collections Program.

- Voted to extend the suspension of the minimum operating and emergency fund balance policy for two fiscal years until June 30, 2018, or earlier if Government Code section 77203 is repealed or amended.
- Considered an augmentation of the 2016-2017 Litigation Management Program allocation in the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund.
- Reviewed a request for funding for information technology infrastructure for the Superior Courts of Humboldt and Madera Counties.

### **Trial Court Facility Modification Advisory Committee**

- Reviewed and approved six facility modification projects with a total potential cost of \$2.8 million, as well as five energy efficiency projects with a total potential cost of \$211,000.
- Conditionally approved revisions to the Court-Funded Facilities Request form to align with policy adopted by the Judicial Council. Court leadership has been asked to review the new form before implementation.

## **Judicial Branch Education and Training**

### **Summary**

#### **Judicial Education**

1. Advanced Issues in Probate and Mental Health
2. Advanced Topics in Felony Sentencing
3. Complex Civil Litigation Workshop
4. Evidence in Civil and Criminal Cases
5. Fundamentals of Felony Sentencing
6. Juvenile Delinquency Orientation
7. Juvenile Law Institute
8. New Judge Orientation
9. Presiding Judges and Court Executive Officers Court Management Institute
10. Qualifying Judicial Ethics

#### **Staff Education and Training Programs**

11. Access to Visitation Grant Training
12. Advanced Core 40 for Managers and Supervisors
13. Core 40: Basic Training for Managers and Supervisors
14. Core Leadership and Training Skills
15. Court Security
16. Domestic Violence
17. Institute for Court Management – Essential Components
18. Interpreter Outreach and Training
19. Labor Forums
20. Microsoft Office 2016
21. Trial Court Payroll System

22. Preparing for Leadership
23. Pretrial Summit
24. Preventing and Responding to Sexual Harassment
25. Youth Court Regional Roundtable

### **Distance Education**

#### Video Production

26. Civil Jury Voir Dire (Courtroom Simulation)
27. Introduction and Pre-instruction (Courtroom Simulation)
28. Accepting a Verdict (Courtroom Simulation)
29. Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District Historic Oral Argument and Lecture Series: The Nuremberg Trials

#### Web Casts

30. Supreme Court Oral Argument

#### Broadcasts

31. Prop 47: From Proposition to Penal Code (for court personnel)

### **Details**

#### **Access to Visitation Grant Training**

A total of 24.5 hours of education was provided on implementation of Family Code section 3200.5 and Standard 5.20 of the California Standards of Judicial Administration.

#### **Advanced Core 40 for Managers and Supervisors**

This three-day regional course included overcoming obstacles, self-awareness, coaching skills, and conflict management.

#### **Advanced Issues in Probate and Mental Health**

This biannual program is offered to experienced judges in probate and mental health assignments. Topics include: undue influence, tax issues in trust cases, gun violence and elder abuse restraining orders, judicial ethics in probate, and guardianship and dependency issues.

#### **Advanced Topics in Felony Sentencing**

Designed for experienced criminal trial judges, this course focuses on alternative sentencing schemes.

#### **Complex Civil Litigation Workshop**

This session focused on developing areas of the law and methods for efficiently managing complex civil matters.

#### **Core 40 Basic Training for Managers and Supervisors**

On request, training was provided for managers and supervisors of the Superior Court of Humboldt County on the role of the supervisor, employment law, and performance management.



### **Core Leadership and Training Skills**

Intended for leads, seniors, and assistant supervisors, this regional program included effective leadership skills, providing effective feedback, and adult training principles.

### **Court Security**

Training was provided to judicial officers, court staff, county employees, and justice partners for the Superior Courts of Siskiyou, Amador, and Monterey Counties on threat management, privacy protection, crime prevention, workplace violence, and active shooter.

### **Domestic Violence**

At the request of the Superior Court of Yolo County Family Law Facilitator's office, staff provided a training for the Northern California Family Law Facilitators and Self Help Center attorneys on updates of the Law Help Interactive website, with a demonstration of the statewide Request for Domestic Violence Restraining Order Petition program.

### **Fundamentals of Felony Sentencing**

This course addressed sentencing issues from probation grants to Three Strikes sentences, and included a brief discussion of newly passed Propositions 57 and 64.

### **Interpreter Outreach and Training**

Court Interpreters Program staff conducted outreach and training at the American Translators Association conference for potential new interpreters.

### **Institute for Court Management – Essential Components**

This two-and-a-half-day regional course based on the National Association for Court Management's core competencies focused on examining accessible tools that measure essential components' efficacy in supporting core court purposes.

### **Juvenile Delinquency Orientation**

This course examines all aspects of juvenile delinquency law and procedure, including the philosophy that underlies delinquency law, applicable statutes, rules of court, and case law. The course also provides an orientation of basic child and adolescent development and examines the impact of substance abuse and domestic violence on children.

### **Juvenile Law Institute**

This program includes a presentation on the California Dependency Online Guide website, which provides dependency-related case law and legal materials.

### **Labor Forums**

Representatives from 42 courts participated in the annual labor and employee relations sessions for a held in Northern and Southern California.

### **Microsoft Office 2016**

On request, training was provided to judges and court employees of the Superior Court of Stanislaus County.

### **New Judge Orientation**

This one-week orientation program introduces new judges, commissioners, and referees to their judicial duties and familiarizes them with ethical responsibilities in ensuring fairness in all proceedings, promoting uniform court practices, and improving the administration of justice.

### **Preparing for Leadership**

This two-hour webinar for appellate court staff was offered twice in December and provided an opportunity for those not currently in a leadership role to identify the skills they need to develop and the methods to pursue building those skills.

### **Presiding Judges and Court Executive Officers Court Management Institute**

For presiding judges, assistant presiding judges, and court executive officers, this institute supports discussions regarding current challenges facing the courts, and provides content that encourages attendees to reflect on individual and collective court governance and leadership responsibilities.

### **Pretrial Summit**

Designed for courts receiving Recidivism Reduction Funds, the summit provided education on pre-trial issues for judicial officers, court administrators, probation, law enforcement, public defender offices, and other court-connected criminal justice professionals.

### **Preventing and Responding to Sexual Harassment**

This program for commissioners, referees, managers, supervisors, and lead staff aired twice in December and helps meet the requirements of Government Code 12950.1.

### **Qualifying Judicial Ethics Core Course**

This core class is intended to reinforce judicial fairness and the central mission of a judge—ensuring the honesty and integrity of judicial decisions. There were three sessions statewide with topics that included gifts, disqualification and disclosure, courtroom decorum and attorney misconduct, decisional delay, membership activities and fundraisers, political activity, the central principles of judicial ethics, and the skills of judicial fairness.

### **Trial Court Payroll System**

Calendar year end workshops were held for each of the 11 trial courts using the Phoenix Payroll System.

### **Youth Court Regional Roundtable**

In collaboration with the California Association of Youth Courts, staff hosted a roundtable on creating a youth court, covering promising practices in youth courts support for local courts and communities to develop effective youth court models.

## Staffing Metrics

As of November 30, 2016

See following page for definition of terms.

STAFFING	Leadership Services Division							Operations & Programs Division							Administrative Division					Judicial Council
	Executive Office	Governmental Affairs	Public Affairs	Legal Services	Audit Services	Special Projects	Judicial Council and Trial Court Leadership	Center for Families, Child. & Courts	Court Operations Services	Criminal Justice Services	Center for Judicial Education & Research	Appellate Court Services	Capital Program	Real Estate & Facilities Mgmt	Budget Services	Branch Account. & Procurement	Human Resources	Information Technology	Admin Support	
Authorized Position (FTE)	9.00	11.00	8.00	58.00	14.00	10.00	19.80	65.00	34.60	22.00	48.50	6.00	43.00	95.00	41.00	142.00	43.00	116.00	30.00	815.90
Filled Authorized Position (FTE)	8.00	10.00	7.00	43.70	9.00	9.00	16.80	58.35	30.55	16.60	43.30	4.00	32.00	71.00	36.00	129.00	38.00	96.88	28.50	687.68
Headcount - Employees	8	10	7	44	10	9	18	59	31	17	44	4	32	71	36	129	38	97	29	693.00
Vacancy (FTE)	1.00	1.00	1.00	14.30	5.00	1.00	3.00	6.65	4.05	5.40	5.20	2.00	11.00	24.00	5.00	13.00	5.00	19.12	1.50	128.22
Vacancy Rate (FTE)	11.1%	9.1%	12.5%	24.7%	35.7%	10.0%	15.2%	10.2%	11.7%	24.5%	10.7%	33.3%	25.6%	25.3%	12.2%	9.2%	11.6%	16.5%	5.0%	15.72%
Judicial Council Temp Employee (909)	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	6	0.6	1	0	0	0	11.60
*Employment Agency Temporary Worker (FTE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	4.00
Contractors (FTE)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.25	0.0	40.35
<b>TOTAL WORKFORCE</b> (based on FTE, 909s, Agency Temps & Contractors)	9.00	10.00	8.00	43.70	9.00	9.00	16.80	58.35	32.05	17.60	44.30	4.00	36.60	79.00	37.60	131.00	39.00	130.13	28.50	743.63

**Definitions:**

<b>Authorized Position (FTE)</b>	Authorized positions include all regular ongoing positions approved in the Budget Act for that year. The number is based on the position's approved full time equivalency.
<b>Filled Authorized Position (FTE)</b>	Filled authorized positions are the number of authorized positions filled based on the employee's full time equivalency.
<b>Headcount</b>	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.
<b>Vacancy (FTE)</b>	The number of vacancies is the number of authorized positions minus the number of filled authorized positions.
<b>Vacancy Rate (FTE)</b>	Vacancy Rate is calculated by dividing the number of authorized positions by the number of vacant authorized positions. This number excludes temporary employees ("909" funded employees). See definition of temporary employees below.
<b>Judicial Council Temporary Employees (909)</b>	The "909" category is the State Controller code used to reference a temporary position or a temporary employee. 909 Position - it is a position that may not be funded through the Budget Act and it 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 due to the unavailability of an authorized vacant position. 909 Employee - An employee whose salary is not funded through the Budget Act. 909 employees may receive benefits if employed at least half-time and the term of employment is for more than six months. Types of "909" Temporary Employees include: Retired Annuitants: A retired annuitant is a retiree who is hired by his or her 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).
<b>Employment Agency Temporary Worker (FTE)</b>	These are workers from an employment agency. They are employees of the employment agency that provide short-term support.
<b>Contractor (FTE)</b>	Individuals augmenting the work of the organization and providing services for a limited period of time 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.
<b>Full Time Equivalency (FTE)</b>	Full Time Equivalency is 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 would consume .5 FTE.
<b>Time Base</b>	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: Employees have no established work schedule and work on an as-needed basis that varies from one pay period to the next. Eligibility for certain benefits may be limited for these employees.
<b>Regular Employee</b>	Commonly referred to as "permanent employees" – They receive full benefits.
<b>Limited Term</b>	Limited Term Position – It is a position that is funded through the Budget Act with a specific end date. The position is counted as an authorized position. Employee in limited term positions may be regular or temporary.

## Judicial Appointments and Vacancies Report

**Judicial Appointments:** There have been no new appointments since June 28, 2016.

Number of Judgeships Authorized, Filled and Vacant as of **November 30, 2016**

TYPE OF COURT	NUMBER OF COURTS	NUMBER OF JUDGESHIPS					
		Authorized	Filled	Vacant	Vacant (AB 159 positions)	<i>Filled(Last Month)</i>	<i>Vacant(Last Month)</i>
Supreme Court	1	7	7	0	0	7	0
Courts of Appeal	6	105	96	9	0	96	9
Superior Courts	58	1,727	1,601	76	50*	1,604	123
<b>All Courts</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>1,704</b>	<b>135</b>		<b>1,707</b>	<b>132</b>

\*Fifty new judgeships were authorized in January 2008 with the enactment of AB 159 (Chapter 722, Statutes of 2007), however, funding has not been provided. The allocation list for these judgeships is based on the most recent Judicial Needs Assessment approved by the Judicial Council in December 2014.

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 In Office
Second Appellate District, Division Three	3	Retirement	Hon. Patti S. Kitching	10/05/15
Second Appellate District, Division Five		Retirement	Hon. Richard M. Mosk	03/31/16
Second Appellate District, Division Seven		Retirement	Hon. Fred Woods	03/31/15
Fourth Appellate District, Division One	4	Deceased	Hon. Alex C. McDonald	09/08/16
Fourth Appellate District, Division One		Retirement	Hon. James A. McIntyre	06/30/16

Fourth Appellate District, Division Two		Retirement	Hon. Jeffrey King	01/31/16
Fourth Appellate District, Division Three		Retirement	Hon. William F. Rylaarsdam	06/30/16
Fifth Appellate District	1	Retirement	Hon. Dennis A. Cornell	06/30/15
Sixth Appellate District	1	Resigned	Hon. Miguel A. Marquez	07/29/16
<b>TOTAL VACANCIES</b>	9			

**JUDICIAL VACANCIES: SUPERIOR COURTS**

<b>County</b>	<b>Vacancies</b>	<b>Reason for Vacancy</b>	<b>Judge to be Replaced</b>	<b>Last Day In Office</b>
Alameda	3	Retirement	Hon. Lawrence John Appel	04/18/16
Alameda		Retirement	Hon. Reginald P. Saunders	10/15/15
Alameda		Retirement	Hon. Steven A. Brick	09/02/15
Humboldt	1	Retirement	Hon. W. Bruce Watson	01/04/16
Kern	2	Retirement	Hon. Cory Woodward	10/21/16
Kern		Retirement	Hon. Larry Errea	08/19/15
Los Angeles	28	Retirement	Hon. Steven R. Van Sicklen	10/31/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. John L. Henning	10/04/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Elden S. Fox	09/02/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. John T. Doyle	08/09/16
Los Angeles		Deceased	Hon. Ralph W. Dau	07/14/16
Los Angeles		Newly created position	Vacancy	06/09/16
Los Angeles		Newly created position	Vacancy	06/09/16
Los Angeles		Newly created position	Vacancy	06/09/16
Los Angeles		Newly created position	Vacancy	06/09/16

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Los Angeles		Newly created position	Vacancy	06/09/16
Los Angeles		Newly created position	Vacancy	06/09/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Michelle R. Rosenblatt	06/01/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Peter Paul Espinoza	05/31/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Jane L. Johnson	05/23/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Emilie H. Elias	05/09/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Joanne B. O'Donnell	04/30/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Robert E. Willett	03/08/16
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Russell S. Kussman	02/18/16
Los Angeles		Deceased	Hon. Daniel L. Brenner	02/15/16
Los Angeles		Resigned	Hon. Jeffrey K. Winikow	12/03/15
Los Angeles		Deceased	Hon. Ellen Carol DeShazer	11/19/15
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Elia Weinbach	09/30/15
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Reva G. Goetz	09/21/15
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Richard A. Stone	08/28/15
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Thomas I. McKnew, Jr.	08/03/15
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Tia G. Fisher	07/31/15
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Allan J. Goodman	07/30/15
Marin	1	Retirement	Hon. Terrence R. Boren	10/18/16
Merced	1	Retirement	Hon. Marc A. Garcia	05/15/15
Orange	4	Dis Retirement	Hon. Daniel Barrett McNerney	11/16/16
Orange		Retirement	Hon. James A. Stotler	04/04/16
Orange		Retirement	Hon. David T. McEachen	03/04/16
Orange		Retirement	Hon. William Michael Monroe	06/01/15
Riverside	2	Retirement	Hon. Michele D. Levine	10/04/16

Riverside		Retirement	Hon. Christian F. Thierbach	05/29/15
Sacramento	4	Converted	New Position	10/13/16
Sacramento		Retirement	Hon. Robert C. Hight	04/08/16
Sacramento		Retirement	Hon. Michael G. Virga	03/26/16
Sacramento		Retirement	Hon. Greta Curtis Fall	09/14/15
San Bernardino	3	Retirement	Hon. Barbara A. Buchholz	10/14/16
San Bernardino		Elevated	Hon. Marsha G. Slough	02/22/16
San Bernardino		Retirement	Hon. Joseph R. Brisco	06/07/15
San Diego	6	Retirement	Hon. David M. Szumowski	07/31/16
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. Charles W. Ervin	02/22/16
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. William R. Nevitt, Jr.	10/19/15
San Diego		Newly created position	Vacancy	10/08/15
San Diego		Newly created position	Vacancy	10/08/15
San Diego		Dis Retirement	Hon. Marshall Y. Hockett	07/17/15
San Francisco	3	Retirement	Hon. James P. Collins	09/23/16
San Francisco		Retirement	Hon. Ernest H. Goldsmith	04/13/16
San Francisco		Retirement	Hon. Lillian Kwok Sing	09/15/15
San Joaquin	1	Deceased	Hon. Franklin M. Stephenson	09/22/15
San Luis Obispo	3	Retirement	Hon. Michael L. Duffy	09/09/16
San Luis Obispo		Retirement	Hon. Jac A. Crawford	03/24/16
San Luis Obispo		Elevated	Hon. Martin J. Tangeman	02/22/16
Santa Clara	4	Retirement	Hon. Richard J. Loftus, Jr.	09/20/16
Santa Clara		Dis Retirement	Hon. Ron M. Del Pozzo	05/12/16
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Susan Bernardini	07/31/15
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Raymond J. Davilla, Jr.	04/18/15
Santa Cruz	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	11/25/15
Shasta	1	Retirement	Hon. William D. Gallagher	10/29/15
Sierra	1	Deceased	Hon. John P. Kennelly	11/04/15



Siskiyou	1	Retirement	Hon. Donald R. Langford	04/29/16
Solano	1	Retirement	Hon. David Edwin Power	10/16/15
Sonoma	1	Retirement	Hon. Gary A. Medvigy	10/21/16
Stanislaus	1	Retirement	Hon. Nan Cohan Jacobs	12/23/15
Sutter	1	Retirement	Hon. Christopher R. Chandler	05/31/16
<b>Tehama</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Dis Retirement</b>	<b>Hon. John J. Garaventa</b>	<b>11/16/16</b>
Tulare	1	Separated	Hon. Valeriano Saucedo	05/25/16
<b>TOTAL VACANCIES</b>	76			

**Number of Judgeships Authorized, Filled and Vacant as of the End of Each Month:  
From November 2014 through November 2016 (two years)\***

Month	Superior Courts				Courts of Appeal			
	Authorized	Filled	Vacancy	Vacancy Rate	Authorized	Filled	Vacancy	Vacancy Rate
Nov-14	1,713	1,578	135	7.9%	105	96	9	8.6%
Dec-14	1,713	1,590	123	7.2%	105	99	6	5.7%
Jan-15	1,713	1,607	106	6.2%	105	100	5	4.8%
Feb-15	1,713	1,603	110	6.4%	105	100	5	4.8%
Mar-15	1,713	1,612	101	5.9%	105	98	7	6.7%
Apr-15	1,713	1,610	103	6.0%	105	98	7	6.7%
May-15	1,713	1,612	101	5.9%	105	98	7	6.7%
Jun-15	1,714	1,597	117	6.8%	105	101	4	3.8%
Jul-15	1,715	1,609	106	6.2%	105	101	4	3.8%
Aug-15	1,715	1,603	112	6.5%	105	101	4	3.8%
Sep-15	1,715	1,596	119	6.9%	105	101	4	3.8%
Oct-15	1,715	1,592	123	7.2%	105	100	5	4.8%
Nov-15	1,717	1,615	102	5.9%	105	100	5	4.8%
Dec-15	1,718	1,622	96	5.6%	105	102	3	2.9%
Jan-16	1,719	1,623	96	5.6%	105	102	3	2.9%
Feb-16	1,719	1,618	101	5.9%	105	102	3	2.9%
Mar-16	1,719	1,613	106	6.2%	105	100	5	4.8%
Arpil-16	1,719	1,606	113	6.6%	105	100	5	4.8%
May-16	1,719	1,601	118	6.9%	105	100	5	4.8%
Jun-16	1,726	1,618	108	6.3%	105	98	7	6.7%
Jul-16	1,726	1,616	110	6.4%	105	97	8	7.6%
Aug-16	1,726	1,614	112	6.5%	105	97	8	7.6%
Sep-16	1,726	1,610	116	6.7%	105	96	9	8.6%
Oct-16	1,727	1,604	123	7.1%	105	96	9	8.6%
Nov-16	1,727	1,601	126	7.3%	105	96	9	8.6%

\* As of December 5, 2016

**Authorized Judgeships and Vacancies in the Superior Courts**

