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Executive Summary

As outlined in the California Rules of Court, rule 10.16, the Technology Committee oversees the Judicial Council's policies concerning information technology. The committee assists the council by providing technology recommendations focusing on the establishment of policies that emphasize long-term strategic leadership and align with judicial branch goals. The committee is responsible for ensuring that specific projects approved and funded by the council comply with the relevant council policies, proceed on schedule, and stay within scope and budget. This report summarizes the committee's activities since the last Judicial Council internal committee written report, which was submitted for the council's September 19, 2023, business meeting.

Overview of Committee Meetings

Information Technology Advisory Committee

Since the most recent Judicial Council meeting, the Information Technology Advisory Committee (ITAC), overseen by the Technology Committee, held an open meeting on September 28, 2023. ITAC approved the final findings and recommendations from the Hybrid Courtroom Workstream and recommended posting for public comment. ITAC also received an update on the successes of the IT Modernization Funding program, specifically in the areas of digitization of documents and branchwide web templates, as well as an update on the branchwide IT Modernization Funding program to modernize branch systems and operations for FY 2023–24. The committee also discussed ideas for the ITAC 2024 annual agenda. The committee also met on October 20, 2023, to review and approve the updated findings and recommendations

report from the Advancing the Hybrid Courtroom Workstream following the public comment period.

Technology Committee

Since the September 19, 2023, Judicial Council meeting, the Technology Committee held two open meetings on September 11, 2023, and October 20, 2023. The committee approved the recommended allocations to the Jury Management Systems Grant Program for FY 2023–24.

The Technology Committee also reviewed the updated California Courts Connected framework and made recommendations to further refine it. Finally, the committee reviewed and approved the final findings and recommendations from the Advancing the Hybrid Courtroom Workstream for recommendation to the Judicial Council to consider at its November 17 meeting.

IT Modernization Funding program

The committee reviewed and approved the IT Modernization Funding program’s appellate court technology budget for Judicial Council Information Technology services for FY 2023–24. The committee also reviewed and approved two additional projects for the Superior Court of Merced County.