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REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

For business meeting on: November 16–17, 2017

Title

Judicial Council Report to the Legislature:
Electronic Recording Equipment

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Date of Report

October 12, 2017

**Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes
Affected**

None

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Submitted by

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Executive Summary

Government Code section 69958 requires that the Judicial Council report to the Legislature semiannually on all purchases and leases of electronic recording equipment that will be used to record superior court proceedings.

Previous Council Action

These reports have routinely been submitted to the Legislature semiannually. Previous reports can be found at www.courts.ca.gov/7466.htm.

Comments, Alternatives Considered, and Policy Implications

This report was not circulated for comment. The information in the report to the Legislature was reported to the Judicial Council by the Superior Courts.

Attachments

1. *Report on Purchase or Lease of Electronic Recording Equipment by Superior Courts (January 1–June 30, 2017)*



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*Re: Report on Purchase or Lease of Electronic Recording Equipment by
Superior Courts (January 1–June 30, 2017), as required by Government
Code section 69958*

Dear Ms. Boyer-Vine, Mr. Alvarez, and Mr. Wilson:

The Judicial Council respectfully submits this report, as required by Government Code section 69958, to provide information to the Legislature regarding superior court purchases and leases of electronic recording equipment during the period of January 1, 2017, through June 30, 2017. As required by statute, for each purchase or lease of equipment, the report specifies the name of the court, the types of proceedings for which the equipment will be used, the cost of the equipment, and the types of equipment purchased or leased.

Government Code section 69957 requires the courts to obtain advance approval from the Judicial Council before purchasing or leasing any electronic recording technology or equipment. Approval for purchase or lease of the equipment is subject to the equipment being used only in the

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manner and for the purposes authorized under that section. All 58 Superior Courts were surveyed regarding their purchase or lease of the equipment to ensure that all purchases were made with the required authorization. During the January 1, through June 30, 2017, reporting period, one court purchased electronic equipment or related items for use in court proceedings.

The Superior Court of San Joaquin County spent \$167,323 to purchase the CourtSmart Digital Audio Recording System for 28 courtrooms. When applicable, recording equipment is used to monitor the performance of subordinate judicial officers and temporary judges.

The total amount spent by the courts on the purchase of electronic recording equipment during the reporting period was \$167,323.

If you have any questions related to this report, please contact Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Director, Judicial Council Budget Services, at 916-263-1397.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Martin Hoshino', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Martin Hoshino
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Report title: *Report on Purchase or Lease of Electronic
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1–June 30, 2017)*

Statutory citation: Government Code section 69958

Date of report: October 12, 2017

The Judicial Council has submitted a report to the Legislature in accordance with Government Code section 69958, which requires the Judicial Council to report purchases or leases of electronic recording equipment by the superior courts.

Government Code section 69957, requires the courts to obtain advance approval from the Judicial Council before purchasing or leasing any electronic recording technology or equipment. Approval for purchase or lease of the equipment is subject to the equipment being used only in the manner and for the purposes authorized under that section. All 58 Superior Courts were surveyed regarding their purchase or lease of the equipment to ensure that all purchases were made with the required authorization. During the January 1, through June 30, 2017, reporting period, one court purchased electronic equipment or related items for use in court proceedings.

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The total amount spent by the courts on the purchase of electronic recording equipment during the reporting period was \$167,323.

The full report is available at www.courts.ca.gov/7466.htm. A printed copy of the report may be obtained by calling 415-865-7966.

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