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Executive Summary

As outlined in the California Rules of Court, rule 10.11, the Executive and Planning Committee oversees the Judicial Council's meeting process and operating procedures, including agenda setting for council meetings, development of the council's long-range strategic plan for the judicial branch, and development of policies and procedures related to court facilities and communications with the branch. The committee is also charged with directing the nominations process for vacancies on the council and its advisory bodies and overseeing specific advisory bodies. This report summarizes the committee's activities since the last Judicial Council internal committee written report, which was submitted for the council's March 11 business meeting.

Overview of Committee Meetings

Since the Judicial Council's March 11 business meeting and May 11 action by email via circulating order, the committee held five meetings by videoconference and conducted four actions by email.

Agenda Setting and Other Business

During its April 13 videoconference and its April 25 and April 27 actions by email, the committee set the agenda for the council's May 11 action by email via circulating order. During its June 21 videoconference and June 30 and July 5 actions by email, the committee set the agenda for its July 15 business meeting. Additional business conducted by the committee since March 11 is summarized below.

Nominations for Appointments to the Judicial Council

On April 6, the committee held a closed meeting to review nominations and develop recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice regarding appointments to the Judicial Council.

Nominations for Appointments to Advisory Bodies and Education Curriculum Committees

On May 18, the committee held a closed session to review nominations and develop recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice for appointments to the following advisory bodies:

- Advisory Committee on Audits and Financial Accountability for the Judicial Branch;
- Advisory Committee on Criminal Jury Instructions;
- Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness;
- Appellate Advisory Committee;
- Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee;
- Criminal Law Advisory Committee;
- Judicial Branch Workers' Compensation Program; and
- Tribal Court-State Court Forum.

On June 1 and June 2, the committee held closed meetings to review nominations and develop recommendations to be submitted to the Chief Justice for appointments to the following advisory bodies and education curriculum committees:

- Advisory Committee on Civil Jury Instructions;
- Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee;
- Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee;
- Court Facilities Advisory Committee;
- Court Interpreters Advisory Panel;
- Court Security Advisory Committee;
- Data Analytics Advisory Committee;
- Executive Committee of Court Executives Advisory Committee;
- Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee;
- Information Technology Advisory Committee;
- Legal Services Trust Fund Commission;
- Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee;
- Traffic Advisory Committee;
- Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee;
- Trial Court Facility Modifications Advisory Committee;
- Appellate Practice Curriculum Committee;
- Civil Law Curriculum Committee;

- Criminal Law Curriculum Committee;
- Family Law Curriculum Committee;
- Judicial Branch Access, Ethics and Fairness Curriculum Committee;
- Judicial Branch Leadership Development Curriculum Committee
- Juvenile Law Curriculum Committee;
- Probate Law Curriculum Committee; and
- Trial Court Operations Curriculum Committee.

Subordinate Judicial Officer Position Request: Superior Court of Placer County

On May 18, the committee also held a videoconference to review and approve a recommendation from Office of Court Research staff to confirm a request from the Superior Court of Placer County to defer the conversion of a subordinate judicial officer position to a judgeship due to an upcoming retirement of a commissioner effective July 1, 2022.

Sabbatical Leave Request: Hon. Jo-Lynne Q. Lee, Superior Court of Alameda County

During its June 21 videoconference, the committee approved a recommendation for an unpaid sabbatical leave for Judge Jo-Lynne Lee, Superior Court of Alameda County, from January 1 through May 31, 2023, to be submitted to the Judicial Council for its consideration during its July 15 business meeting.