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REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Item No.: 24-092
For business meeting on May 17, 2024

Title

Judicial Branch Education: Judicial Schedules

Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes Affected Amend Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.603

Recommended by

Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee Hon. Darrell S. Mavis, Chair **Agenda Item Type**

Action Required

Effective Date

September 1, 2024

Date of Report

April 22, 2024

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Executive Summary

The Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee recommends the Judicial Council make a technical amendment to rule 10.603 of the California Rules of Court to replace outdated references with citations to the current judicial education requirements.

Recommendation

The Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective September 1, 2024, amend rule 10.603 of the California Rules of Court to replace outdated references to repealed standards of judicial administration with citations to the relevant rules of court on judicial education requirements that replaced the standards (Cal. Rules of Court, rules 10.451, 10.452, and 10.462–10.469).

The proposed amended rule is attached at page 3.

Relevant Previous Council Action

The Judicial Council adopted a comprehensive set of rules on judicial branch education effective January 1, 2008. At the same time, the council repealed standards 10.10 through 10.15 of the California Standards of Judicial Administration that contained judicial education

recommendations. However, rule 10.603(c)(2)(B), addressing the presiding judge's duty to plan for judicial education in creating judicial schedules, was not amended at that time and currently references repealed standards 10.11 through 10.13.

Analysis/Rationale

This proposal is recommended to correct references that are currently inaccurate.

Policy implications

There are no policy implications of the recommendation in this proposal.

Comments

The proposed amendment was discussed at an open meeting of the Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee. There were no significant points of discussion or divergence of opinion within the advisory committee. Based on its technical and noncontroversial nature, this proposal is within the Judicial Council's purview to adopt without circulation for comment. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.22(d)(2).)

Alternatives considered

The Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee rejected the alternative of taking no action, as the current references in rule 10.603(c)(2)(B) direct presiding judges to repealed standards. The advisory committee concluded that the only logical course of action would be to recommend a technical amendment to rule 10.603 to include citations to the current judicial education requirements within the rules of court that replaced the repealed standards.

Fiscal and Operational Impacts

This proposal will result in no fiscal or operational costs to the courts or the Judicial Council.

Attachments and Links

- 1. Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.603, at page 3
- 2. Link A: Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.603, www.courts.ca.gov/cms/rules/index.cfm?title=ten&linkid=rule10 603

Rule 10.603 of the California Rules of Court is amended, effective September 1, 2024, to read:

Rule 10.603. Authority and duties of presiding judge 1 2 (a)-(b) *** 3 4 5 **Duties** (c) 6 7 **(1)** *** 8 9 (2) Judicial schedules 10 *** (A) 11 12 13 The plan should take into account the principles contained in standards (B) 14 10.11 10.13 rules 10.451, 10.452, and 10.462–10.469 (on judicial 15 education) and standard 10.5 (on community activities) of the Standards of Judicial Administration. 16 17 (C)-(I) *** 18 19 (3)–(11) *** 20 21 22 (d) ***