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Executive Summary

The following information outlines some of the many activities staff are engaged in to further the Judicial Council's strategic goals and priorities for the judicial branch. The report focuses on action since the council's May meeting.

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Court Facilities

- *New Yreka Courthouse:*
Completed in June, the Superior Court of Siskiyou County's new courthouse in Yreka began conducting court operations. The new courthouse creates efficiencies by consolidating court services in the county. It includes five courtrooms with 67,459 square feet on 2.4 acres.



- *Facilities Modifications:*

Status of facility modifications as of July 1, 2021:

<i>Status</i>	<i>Number of Modifications</i>	<i>Estimated Cost</i>
In Progress	659	\$229,670,447
In Design	40	\$8,034,494
Awaiting Shared Cost	2	\$2,713,193
Total	701	\$240,436,134

Ten real estate transactions were completed, including a new license in Tuolumne County; new revenue license in San Bernardino County; new vendor permit in San Diego County; expense lease and license renewals in Kern, Los Angeles, Mariposa, San Bernardino, Stanislaus, and Yolo Counties; and a waiver of first refusal rights and estoppel in San Bernardino County.

Financial and Payroll Management System Cloud Migration

The Phoenix financial and payroll management system became the first branch-wide system to migrate completely to the Cloud. This migration improved the security at each layer within the system's infrastructure. In addition, the Phoenix system was upgraded to the most current software and database version, enhancing system performance, and offering a simplified user interface. This on-time and on-budget project required significant contributions from staff, and business and IT experts from all 58 courts.

Trial Court Recruitment Assistance

A new master agreement was awarded to provide an internet-based employment recruitment software application to 29 participating superior courts located throughout California. The application is available to all courts and will assist with recruitment, selection, and applicant tracking as well as provide reporting and data analysis functionality.

Labor and Employee Relations

Labor negotiations assistance was provided to 12 trial courts. Services included side-letter negotiations on COVID vaccine verification and successor memoranda of understanding negotiations. Support was also provided to courts on 35 different labor and employee-related matters.

Audit Services

Audit reviews were completed at the Superior Courts of California for the Counties of Mariposa, Mono, and Riverside. These reports concluded that the courts had complied with council's policies, while providing suggestions on court contracting and vendor payment practices.

Judicial Resources and Technical Assistance

Staff conducted file reviews of juvenile cases in Alameda, Humboldt, Napa, Plumas, San Joaquin, Trinity, and Ventura Counties to identify any legal issues or training needs.

COVID-19 and Wildfire Reporting

Judicial Council staff submitted the final monthly COVID-19 and wildfire cost reports to the Department of Finance (DOF). On behalf of the courts and the council, the council reported \$219.9 million in COVID-related costs (March 2020–May 31, 2021), and \$5.6 million in wildfire-related costs for the council in fiscal year 2020–21. Effective June 2021, DOF has discontinued monthly COVID and wildfire cost reporting for the judicial branch.

Pretrial Pilot Program

Criminal Justice Services presented at the California Association of Pretrial Service Agencies conference on effectively communicating risk assessment information to state judicial officers, and facilitated a panel discussion featuring court and probation representatives from Nevada, Sacramento, and Santa Barbara Counties on their pretrial pilot programs.

Pathways to Judicial Diversity

A “Pathways to Judicial Diversity” information session was held for Native American lawyers and law students with panelists: Hon. Abby Abinanti (Yurok), Cochair of the Judicial Council's Tribal Court–State Court Forum, and Luis Céspedes, the Governor's Judicial Appointments Secretary. Outreach sessions to other groups are ongoing.

Collaborations with Justice Partners

- *Legal Services Trust Fund Commission*: Staff participated in meetings with the State Bar of California to consider applications for funding of Interest on Lawyers' Trust Account formula grants under the Equal Access Fund and to review proposed Equal Access Partnership Grants for 2022.
- *State Bar of California Government/Public Sector Diversity Summit*: Staff shared information on existing data and practices and discussed how to improve diversity, equity, and inclusion within the government/public sector.

Advisory Bodies

The following Judicial Council advisory bodies convened remotely since the council's May meeting.

1. Ad Hoc Workgroup on Post-Pandemic Initiatives
2. Administrative Presiding Justices Advisory Committee
3. Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness

4. Appellate Indigent Defense Oversight Advisory Committee
5. Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee
6. Criminal Law Advisory Committee
7. Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee
8. Court Facilities Advisory Committee
9. Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee
10. Information Technology Advisory Committee
11. Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee
12. Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
13. Trial Court Presiding Judges and Court Executives Advisory Committees (Jointly)
14. Tribal Court–State Court Forum
15. Workgroup on Homelessness
16. Workload Assessment Advisory Committee

Meeting Details

Ad Hoc Workgroup on Post-Pandemic Initiatives

- Gathered input from various judicial branch partners and stakeholders, including the California Judges Association, California District Attorneys Association, California Public Defenders Association, California Attorneys for Criminal Justice, California Highway Patrol, California Police Chiefs Association, Peace Officers Research Association of California, California State Sheriffs' Association, and the Chief Probation Officers of California.

Administrative Presiding Justices Advisory Committee

- Received updates from Judicial Council offices on services to the Courts of Appeal.

Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness

- Discussed Language Access Subcommittee updates, model self-help funding, the Judicial Diversity Summit, and the 2021 legislative cycle.
- *Legislative Working Group*: Discussed legislative proposals regarding interpreters, language access, and access to the courts.
- *Racial Justice Working Group*: Discussed the charge of the working group and racial justice work within the judicial branch.

Appellate Indigent Defense Oversight Advisory Committee

- Reviewed an individual case services report, an audit pool and sample analysis report, a panel composition report, and an attorney questionnaire report.

Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee

- Reviewed recommendations for revisions to new small claims forms to be used in cases for the recovery of COVID-19 related rental debt, and revisions to various unlawful detainer forms to reflect recent statutory amendments to the tenant protections related to the pandemic.

Criminal Law Advisory Committee

- Reviewed pending bills with an impact on criminal courts, including Assembly Bill (AB) 124 (Criminal Procedure), Senate Bill (SB) 782 (Assisted outpatient treatment programs), AB 1228 (Supervised persons: release), AB 1540 (Criminal procedure: resentencing), SB 262 (Bail), and SB 775 (Felony murder: resentencing).

Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee

- Received a presentation from the Chief Judge of the Wilton Rancheria Tribal Court regarding wellness activities in tribal courts, a briefing on new legislative proposals that may affect collaborative court clients, and discussed public comments received on a proposal to amend the committee rule ([Rule 10.56](#)) to be able to address matters such as mental health diversion, which are related to collaborative courts and their participants, but may not fall within the strict definition of a collaborative court as defined by the 11 guiding principles of collaborative courts.
- *Juvenile Subcommittee*: Discussed development of a comprehensive resource guide to help juvenile collaborative courts better meet changing and growing mental health needs.

Court Facilities Advisory Committee

- Discussed the *Judicial Branch Five-Year Infrastructure Plan for Fiscal Year 2022–23*, and received a report on the *Judicial Branch Capital Program Management Manual* revision and how the pandemic will affect the courthouse of the future.

Family and Juvenile Advisory Committee

- Discussed and reviewed pending legislation, and proposed rules and forms in the areas of protective orders, family law, and juvenile record sealing, including a proposal to provide court users and the public with information regarding relief available to incarcerated or involuntarily institutionalized child support obligors.

Information Technology Advisory Committee

- Received updates on the work of the Technology Committee, Court Technology Modernization Funding, State Budget, and judicial branch technology security.

Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee

- Discussed resources for judges deciding conservatorship petitions and amending rules to update the requirements for applying the Indian Child Welfare Act to probate guardianships.
- *Legislation Subcommittee*: Discussed pending legislation affecting probate and mental health proceedings.

Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

- Approved recommendations for 2021–22 allocations from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund.

Trial Court Presiding Judges and Court Executives Advisory Committees

- Discussed proposed changes to the Division of Occupational Safety and Health COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standards.
- *Joint Rules Subcommittee*: Reviewed and provided comment on nine proposed revisions to the California Rules of Court.

Tribal Court–State Court Forum

- Discussed comments on the rule proposal for the Indian Child Welfare Act in probate guardianship cases, received an update on legislation for the recognition of trial court judgments that divide pension assets, and debriefed from the recent forum webinars.

Work Group on Homelessness

- Discussed potential recommendations, including methods to alleviate impacts, utilizing court property, real estate, and other resources.

Workload Assessment Advisory Committee:

- Approved a one-time modification to filings data for the 2021–21 Resource Assessment Study update. The modification is due to four months of pandemic-impacted data, which is not reflective of typical court workload.

Judicial Branch Education

Summary

Judicial Education

Programs/Courses

1. Cow County Judges Institute
2. Effectively Communicating Risk at the Pretrial Stage
3. Experienced Assignment Course—Evidence in Civil and Criminal Cases
4. Experienced Assignment Course—Handling Cases Involving Abuse in Later Life
5. Handling Human Trafficking Cases
6. New Judge Orientation
7. New Child Support Commissioner Orientation
8. Primary Assignment Orientation—Civil Law (Experienced)
9. Primary Assignment Orientation—Criminal Law
10. Primary Assignment Orientation—Juvenile Dependency
11. Primary Assignment Orientation—Traffic
12. Qualifying Judicial Ethics

Podcasts

13. Criminal Law Legislative Updates
14. Criminal Law Case Updates, Parts 1 & 2

Videos

15. Collections
16. Ten-Minute Mentor: Reproductive Health Rights of Children in Foster Care
17. Today's Law: Juvenile Justice Update

Webinars

18. Effectively Communicating Risk at the Pretrial Stage
19. Judicial Branch Budget Process for New Court Executives
20. Sexual Harassment Prevention for Judicial Officers, Managers, and Supervisors

Publication Updates

21. Benchguide 52: Misdemeanor Arraignment

Judicial Officer, Court Staff, and Justice Partner Education

Programs/Courses

22. Bringing Science into Bonding Assessments
23. California Access to Visitation Grant Program Standard 5.20 and Uniform Standards of Practice for Providers of Supervised Visitation
24. Child and Family Focused Education Program
25. Core Leadership and Training Skills
26. Family Procedure—Motions and Requests for Orders
27. Project Management for Courts
28. Reasonable Prudent Parent Training
29. Sexual Harassment Prevention
30. Trial Skills for the Dependency Lawyer
31. Visioning and Strategic Planning—Institute for Court Management
32. Youth Court Summit

Details

Bringing Science into Bonding Assessments

Bonding studies from the point of view of early childhood development and mental health.

California Access to Visitation Grant Program Standard 5.20 and the Uniform Standards of Practice for Providers of Supervised Visitation Training

Trainings for 84 multidisciplinary organizational professionals, court and community-justice partners, and statewide professional providers of supervised visitation in San Diego County on how to implement Uniform Standards of Practice for Providers of Supervised Visitation and Family Code section 3200.5.

Child and Family Focused Education Program

Workshops on racial bias, domestic violence, the Language Access Public Outreach Campaign, the digital divide, supervised visitation, and confidentiality met mandatory training and continuing education requirements under Cal. Rules of Court. The more than 350 participants

included judicial officers, family court services directors, mediators, and court administrators, child custody recommending counselors and evaluators, family law facilitators, and court investigators.

Collections

Collections cases from filing to appeal, including current law, practice tips, and resources for judicial officers.

Core Leadership and Training Skills

Opportunity for lead and senior clerks to build and improve leadership and training skills.

Court Interpreter Skills-Building

Prepares candidates for the Bilingual Interpreting Examination in Spanish and Vietnamese.

Cow County Judges Institute/Judicial Decision-Making in Cases Involving Domestic Violence: Understanding and Addressing the Abuse and its Effects

A systematic approach to assessing abuse, and how to tailor a response that addresses the specific circumstances of the case.

Effectively Communicating Risk at the Pretrial Stage

Best practices for accurately conveying the results of a pretrial risk assessment tool.

Experienced Assignment Course—Evidence in Civil and Criminal Cases

Overview of evidentiary issues that commonly arise in civil and criminal cases.

Experienced Assignment Course—Handling Cases Involving Abuse in Later Life

Identify ways to navigate the complexities of cases in probate, family, and criminal court settings.

Family Court Services

Program for Family Court Services directors, managers, supervisors and court administrators on legislative updates and confidentiality of records.

Family Procedure—Motions and Requests for Orders

Temporary orders, post-judgment modifications, third-party joinders, changes of venue, informal discovery, requests by servicemembers, and requests for special immigrant juvenile findings.

Handling Human Trafficking Cases

Issues unique to the crime of human trafficking, with considerations for trauma-informed and victim-centered approaches to handling these cases.

Judicial Branch Budget Process

Overview of the judicial branch budget process and the roles court executive officers and presiding judges have in the development of the budget.

Making Difficult Conversations Productive

Strategies to strengthen leaders' current skills.

New Judge Orientation

Introduces new judges, commissioners, and referees to judicial duties and familiarize with ethical responsibilities in ensuring fairness in all proceedings, promoting uniform court practices, and improving the administration of justice.

Primary Assignment Orientation—Civil Law (Experienced)

Comprehensive overview of civil law and procedure for judges, commissioners, and referees returning to a civil law assignment.

Primary Assignment Orientation—Criminal Law

Procedural and substantive law governing criminal cases from arraignment through posttrial.

Primary Assignment Orientation—Juvenile Dependency

Juvenile dependency law, procedure, and evidence rules; the philosophy and responsibilities that underlie the child welfare system and the dependency court; child development; substance abuse; mental health; domestic violence; disproportionately high minority contact; the role of the judge or subordinate judicial officer in juvenile court, and his or her unique ethical issues.

Primary Assignment Orientation—Traffic

General procedural and substantive law governing traffic cases.

Project Management for Courts

Introduction to project management, with emphasis on court technology projects.

Qualifying Judicial Ethics

Three-hour mandatory core course.

Reasonable Prudent Parent Training

For judicial officers, attorneys, and social workers to address their roles in minimizing the trauma of placement changes.

Reproductive Health Rights of Children in Foster Care

Role of the judge in helping youth make healthy decisions regarding reproductive health, and rules regarding confidentiality and required determinations and orders.

Sexual Harassment Prevention

Meets training requirements mandated by Government Code §12950.1 for managers, supervisors, commissioners, referees, and other court personnel serving in a managerial role.

Today's Law: Juvenile Justice Update

New laws and cases affecting juvenile justice court proceedings.

Trial Skills for the Dependency Lawyer

Dependency law and contested hearing skills, included learning-by-doing and seeing for remote and live hearings.

Visioning and Strategic Planning—Institute for Court Management

Tools for court leaders and managers to achieve goals using strategic planning.

Youth Court Summit

Judicial officers, youth court staff, youth participants, and stakeholders attended the 15th annual summit (a collaboration with the California Association of Youth Courts), to increase the awareness of peer courts and present issues of mass incarceration, racial equity, and mental health, including keynote presentations from the California Secretary and the San Francisco District Attorney.

Staffing Metrics

As of June 30, 2021

	Executive Division				Leadership Services Division		Operations & Programs Division					Administrative Division				
STAFFING	Audit Services	Executive Office	Governmental Affairs	Public Affairs	Leadership Support Services	Legal Services	Business Mgmt Services	Center for Families, Children and the Courts	Center for Judicial Education & Research	Criminal Justice Services	Information Technology	Branch Accounting & Procurement	Budget Services	Facilities Services	Human Resources	Judicial Council
Authorized Position (FTE)	14.00	12.00	10.00	9.00	65.80	55.00	18.00	88.10	48.50	30.00	147.00	147.00	37.00	142.00	51.00	874.40
Filled Authorized Position (FTE)	9.80	10.80	8.00	6.00	56.80	41.40	14.00	69.55	41.00	24.00	100.00	135.00	30.00	116.00	44.00	706.35
Headcount - Employees	10	11	8	6	58	42	14	71	42	24	100	136	30	116	44	712.00
Vacancy (FTE)	4.20	1.20	2.00	3.00	9.00	13.60	4.00	18.55	7.50	6.00	47.00	12.00	7.00	26.00	7.00	168.05
Vacancy Rate (FTE)	30.0%	10.0%	20.0%	33.3%	13.7%	24.7%	22.2%	21.1%	15.5%	20.0%	32.0%	8.2%	18.9%	18.3%	13.7%	19.22%
Judicial Council Temp Employee (909)	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4.00
*Employment Agency Temporary Worker (FTE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	5.00
Contractors (FTE)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	48.60	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	52.60
TOTAL WORKFORCE (based on FTE, 909s, Agency Temps & Contractors)	9.80	12.80	8.00	6.00	56.80	42.40	16.00	73.55	42.00	24.00	149.60	135.00	30.00	117.00	45.00	767.95

See following page for definition of terms.

Definitions:

Authorized Position (FTE)	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.
Filled Authorized Position (FTE)	Filled authorized positions are the number of authorized positions filled based on the employee's full time equivalency.
Headcount	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.
Vacancy (FTE)	The number of vacancies is the number of authorized positions minus the number of filled authorized positions.
Vacancy Rate (FTE)	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.
Judicial Council Temporary Employees (909)	<p>The "909 category is the State Controller code used to reference a temporary position or a temporary employee.</p> <p>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).</p>
Employment Agency Temporary Worker (FTE)	These are workers from an employment agency. They are employees of the employment agency that provide short-term support.
Contractor (FTE)	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.
Full Time Equivalency (FTE)	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.
Time Base	<p>Full time: Employee is scheduled to work 40 hours per week. Receives full benefits.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
Regular Employee	Commonly referred to as "permanent employees" – They receive full benefits.
Limited Term	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 judicial appointments since the May council meeting.

Number of Judgeships Authorized, Filled, and Vacant as of **July 1, 2021**

TYPE OF COURT	NUMBER OF COURTS	NUMBER OF JUDGESHIPS					
		Authorized	Filled	Vacant	Vacant (Unfunded 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	106	95	11	0	98	8
Superior Courts	58	1,755	1,630	102	23	1,639	116
All Courts	65	1,868	1,732	136		1,744	124

*50 new (AB 159) judgeships were authorized, but not funded, in 2008; funding was provided for two of the judgeships in the 2018 Budget Act and for a further 25 positions in the 2019 Budget Act.

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
First, Division Three	1	Retirement	Hon. Peter J. Siggins	1/19/2021
First, Division Five	1	Retirement	Hon. Barbara J.R. Jones	9/30/2020
Second, Division Three	1	Retirement	Hon. Halim Dhanidina	3/31/2021
Second, Division One	1	Removal	Hon. Jeffrey W. Johnson	6/2/2020
Second, Division Seven	1	Retirement	Hon. Laurie D. Zelon	8/31/2020
Second, Division Eight	1	Retirement	Hon. Tricia Ann Bigelow	6/30/2021
Third	1	Retirement	Hon. Mary Kathleen Butz	6/30/2020
Fourth, Division Three	2	Retirement	Hon. Richard M. Aronson	6/30/2021
Fourth, Division Three		Retirement	Hon. Raymond J. Ikola	6/30/2021
Sixth	2	Retirement	Hon. Eugene M. Premo	1/15/2021
Sixth		Retirement	Hon. Nathan D. Mihara	7/30/2020
TOTAL VACANCIES	11			

JUDICIAL VACANCIES: SUPERIOR COURTS

County	Vacancies	Reason for Vacancy	Judge to be Replaced	Last Day In Office
Alameda	3	Retirement	Hon. Patrick J. Zika	6/29/2021
Alameda		Retirement	Hon. Thomas C. Rogers	3/29/2021
Alameda		Retirement	Hon. Armando G. Cuellar, Jr.	3/18/2021
Butte	1	Retirement	Hon. Robert A. Glusman	1/20/2021
Contra Costa	5	Retirement	Hon. Judy Johnson	4/2/2021
Contra Costa		Retirement	Hon. Cheryl Mills	3/9/2021
Contra Costa		Retirement	Hon. Linda Lye	12/31/2020
Contra Costa		Retirement	Hon. John H. Sugiyama	4/30/2020
Contra Costa		Removed	Hon. John T. Laettner	11/6/2019
El Dorado	1	Retirement	Hon. Warren C. Stracener	1/9/2020
Fresno	4	Retirement	Hon. Debra J. Kazanjian	3/31/2021
Fresno		Retirement	Hon. Jane Cardoza	7/22/2020
Fresno		Retirement	Hon. W. Kent Hamlin	7/8/2020
Fresno		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Kern	6	Retirement	Hon. Robert S. Tafoya	4/30/2021
Kern		Retirement	Hon. Craig Philips	2/26/2021
Kern		Retirement	Hon. Lorna H. Brumfield	12/31/2020
Kern		Retirement	Hon. John S. Somers	9/30/2020
Kern		Retirement	Hon. John L. Fielder	9/8/2020
Kern		Retirement	Hon. Louie L. Vega	8/21/2020
Kings	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Los Angeles	20	Retirement	Hon. Michael D. Abzug	6/29/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Robert J. Schuit	6/19/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Jose I. Sandoval	5/5/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Norman Perry Tarle	4/20/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. John A. Torribio	4/14/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Clifford L. Klein	4/1/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Gary J. Ferrari	3/19/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Anthony J. Mohr	3/19/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Ramona G. See	3/12/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Robert J. Perry	3/5/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Michael Anthony Tynan	2/19/2021
Los Angeles		Deceased	Hon. Lori A. Fournier	2/9/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Irma J. Brown	1/27/2021
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. William A. MacLaughlin	12/31/2020
Los Angeles		To Fed Court	Hon. Fernando L Aenlle-Rocha	12/23/2020
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Gilbert M. Lopez	12/12/2020
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Ray A. Santana	12/4/2020
Los Angeles		Deceased	Hon. Victor E. Chavez	10/30/2020

Los Angeles		Commissioner Conversion	Vacancy	10/21/2020
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Barbara R. Johnson	9/30/2020
Madera	1	Retirement	Hon. Joseph A. Soldani	6/30/2019
Mariposa	1	Retirement	Hon. F. Dana Walton	1/31/2021
Merced	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Modoc	1	Retirement	Hon. David A. Mason	10/31/2020
Monterey	2	Retirement	Hon. Lydia M. Villarreal	4/28/2021
Monterey		Retirement	Hon. Susan J. Matcham	8/31/2020
Nevada	1	Retirement	Hon. Robert Lynn Tamiatti	10/31/2020
Orange	7	Retirement	Hon. Gregory W. Jones	6/4/2021
Orange		Retirement	Hon. Mark S. Millard	4/30/2021
Orange		Retirement	Hon. Sheila B. Fell	3/22/2021
Orange		Retirement	Hon. Gary L. Moorhead	2/17/2021
Orange		Retirement	Hon. John Dorsey Conley	12/30/2020
Orange		Retirement	Hon. Roger B. Robbins	11/1/2020
Orange		Retirement	Hon. Ronald Lawrence Bauer	5/31/2020
Riverside	5	Retirement	Hon. Bambi J. Moyer	4/1/2021
Riverside		Retirement	Hon. Becky Lynn Dugan	4/22/2020
Riverside		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
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Sacramento	3	Retirement	Hon. Jaime R. Román	6/10/2021
Sacramento		Retirement	Hon. David I. Brown	4/9/2021
Sacramento		Retirement	Hon. Judy Holzer Hersher	2/28/2021
San Benito	1	Retirement	Hon. Steven R. Sanders	1/15/2021
San Bernardino	8	Retirement	Hon. Ronald M. Christianson	4/30/2021
San Bernardino		Retirement	Hon. Elia V. Pirozzi	4/22/2021
San Bernardino		Retirement	Hon. Donna G. Garza	4/16/2021
San Bernardino		Retirement	Hon. Pamela P. King	3/12/2021
San Bernardino		Retirement	Hon. Dwight W. Moore	3/1/2021
San Bernardino		Retirement	Hon. Stephan G. Saleson	3/1/2021
San Bernardino		Retirement	Hon. Keith D. Davis	10/8/2020

San Bernardino		Retirement	Hon. Raymond L. Haight III	2/9/2020
San Diego	9	Retirement	Hon. Edlene C. McKenzie	6/30/2021
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. Timothy M. Casserly	6/23/2021
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. Margie G. Woods	6/7/2021
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. Roger W. Krauel	5/5/2021
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. Jeffrey B. Barton	4/21/2021
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. Randa Trapp	3/17/2021
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. Charles G. Rogers	2/19/2021
San Diego		Elevated	Hon. Truc T. Do	1/14/2021
San Diego		Retirement	Hon. K. Michael Kirkman	6/22/2020
San Francisco	1	Resigned	Hon. Edward Torpoco	12/13/2020
San Joaquin	1	Retirement	Hon. Roger Ross	6/29/2021
San Mateo	3	Retirement	Hon. George A. Miram	4/30/2021
San Mateo		Retirement	Hon. Clifford V. Cretan	8/31/2020
San Mateo		Retirement	Hon. Mark R. Forcum	9/10/2019
Santa Clara	7	Retirement	Hon. Linda R. Clark	4/30/2021
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. James L. Stoelker	3/26/2021
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Ronald I. Toff	2/16/2021
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Mark H. Pierce	9/10/2020
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Michele McKay McCoy	3/10/2020
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Edward Frederick Lee	2/29/2020
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Joshua Weinstein	9/3/2019
Santa Cruz	1	Retirement	Hon. Kim Baskett	9/30/2020
Siskiyou	1	Retirement	Hon. William J. Davis	2/19/2021
Solano	2	Retirement	Hon. Michael Mattice	3/25/2020
Solano		Retirement	Hon. Robert C. Fracchia	2/27/2020
Sonoma	2	Retirement	Hon. Barbara Phelan	1/31/2021
Sonoma		Retirement	Hon. Allan D. Hardcastle	4/3/2020
Tulare	1	Retirement	Hon. Kathryn T. Montejano	10/5/2020
Ventura	2	Retirement	Hon. William Q. Liebmann	5/7/2021
Ventura		Retirement	Hon. Kevin J. McGee	4/29/2021
TOTAL VACANCIES	102			

Number of Judgeships Authorized, Filled, and Vacant, June 2019–June 2021 (two years) *

Superior Courts					Courts of Appeal			
Month	Authorized	Filled	Vacancy	Vacancy Rate	Authorized	Filled	Vacancy	Vacancy Rate
Jun-19	1,743	1,672	71	4.1%	106	105	1	0.9%
Jul-19	1,743	1,667	68	3.9%	106	105	1	0.9%
Aug-19	1,743	1,662	81	4.6%	106	104	2	1.9%
Sep-19	1,743	1,660	83	4.8%	106	104	2	1.9%
Oct-19	1,743	1,668	75	4.3%	106	104	2	1.9%
Nov-19	1,743	1,664	79	4.5%	106	104	2	1.9%
Dec-19	1,743	1,661	82	4.7%	106	104	2	1.9%
Jan-20	1,743	1,658	85	4.9%	106	105	1	0.9%
Feb-20	1,743	1,650	93	5.3%	106	105	1	0.9%
Mar-20	1,743	1,642	101	5.8%	106	105	1	0.9%
Apr-20	1,743	1,648	95	5.5%	106	105	1	0.9%
May-20	1,743	1,643	100	5.7%	106	105	1	0.9%
Jun-20	1,754	1,646	108	6.2%	106	104	2	1.9%
Jul-20	1,754	1,639	115	6.6%	106	103	3	2.8%
Aug-20	1,754	1,646	108	6.2%	106	102	4	3.8%
Sep-20	1,754	1,635	119	6.8%	106	101	5	4.7%
Oct-20	1,754	1,625	129	7.4%	106	101	5	4.7%
Nov-20	1,754	1,642	112	6.4%	106	101	5	4.7%
Dec-20	1,754	1,669	85	4.8%	106	101	5	4.7%
Jan-21	1,755	1,662	93	5.3%	106	100	6	5.7%
Feb-21	1,755	1,655	100	5.7%	106	99	7	6.6%
Mar-21	1,755	1,659	96	5.5%	106	99	7	6.6%
Apr-21	1,755	1,642	113	6.4%	106	98	8	7.5%
May-21	1,755	1,639	116	6.6%	106	98	8	7.5%
Jun-21	1,755	1,630	125	7.1%	106	95	11	10.4%

* As of June 2, 2021.

Note: Growth in number of Authorized Judicial Positions reflects SJO conversions, as well as newly funded positions via the 2019 Budget Act. Since 2007, 157 SJO positions have been converted to judgeships.

Percent of Judgeship Vacancies in the Superior Courts, June 2019–June 2021

