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# REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

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Report to the Legislature: Allocation of New Judgeships Funding in 2020–21

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### Executive Summary

Pursuant to the Budget Act of 2007 (Stats. 2007, ch. 171, 172) the Judicial Council is required to report annually to the Legislature on the allocation of funding for support of new judgeships authorized in 2007–08 until all judgeships are appointed and new staff hired. On or before January 1, 2022, the Judicial Council’s Budget Services staff submitted the *Report on Allocation of Funding in 2020–21 for Support of New Judgeships Authorized in 2007–08*.

### Relevant Previous Council Action

These reports are submitted to the Legislature annually. Reports from previous fiscal years are available on the “Legislative Reports” webpage of the California Courts website at [www.courts.ca.gov/7466.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/7466.htm).

### Analysis/Rationale

Assembly Bill 159 (Stats. 2007, ch. 722) authorized 50 additional judgeships, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to be allocated to various superior courts according to uniform criteria approved by the Judicial Council. Provision 11 of item 0250-101-0932 of the Budget Act of 2007 required the Judicial Council to report to the Legislature on January 1, 2008, and each January 1 thereafter, until all judgeships are appointed, and new staff hired.

In 2020–21, a total of \$28.5 million was allocated in support of new judgeships: \$28 million for operations costs from the Trial Court Trust Fund for 54 courts, and \$452,000 for facilities costs from the Court Facilities Trust Fund for two courts. Of the 50 judgeships that Assembly Bill 159 authorized, 27 have been funded.

### **Fiscal Impact and Policy Implications**

The requirements of this report do not result in any additional costs or operational impact to the trial courts.

### **Attachments and Links**

1. Attachment A: *Report on Allocation of Funding in 2020–21 for Support of New Judgeships Authorized in 2007–08*



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*Re: Report on Allocation of Funding in 2020–21 for Support of New Judgeships Authorized in 2007–08*

Dear Ms. Jenkins, Ms. Contreras, and Ms. Parker:

Pursuant to provision 11 of item 0250-101-0932 of the Budget Act of 2007 (Stats. 2007, ch. 171, 172), the Judicial Council is submitting the annual *Report on Allocation of Funding in 2020–21 for Support of New Judgeships Authorized in 2007–08*. This report details the allocation of funding for support of new judgeships authorized in 2007–08 until all judgeships are appointed and new staff hired.

For 2020–21, a total of \$28.5 million was allocated in support of new judgeships: \$28 million for operations costs from the Trial Court Trust Fund for 54 courts, and \$452,000 for facilities costs from the Court Facilities Trust Fund for two courts. Of the 50 judgeships that Assembly Bill 159 authorized, 27 have been funded.

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The following table displays the 2020–21 allocation of the ongoing funding for operations and facilities costs by individual court:

<b>2020–21 Allocation of Funding for New Judgeships</b>			
<b>Court</b>	<b>Operations</b>	<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Total</b>
Alameda	\$505,395	\$-	\$505,395
Amador	263,027	-	263,027
Butte	145,897	-	145,897
Calaveras	165,875	-	165,875
Contra Costa	311,892	-	311,892
Del Norte	30,041	-	30,041
El Dorado	45,552	-	45,552
Fresno	460,556	-	460,556
Glenn	79,723	-	79,723
Humboldt	45,173	-	45,173
Imperial	63,930	-	63,930
Inyo	99,673	-	99,673
Kern	454,007	-	454,007
Kings	81,791	-	81,791
Lake	72,791	-	72,791
Lassen	3,240	-	3,240
Los Angeles	9,128,098	-	9,128,098
Madera	101,359	-	101,359
Marin	79,591	-	79,591
Mariposa	66,974	-	66,974
Mendocino	41,180	-	41,180
Merced	167,066	-	167,066
Modoc	43,086	-	43,086
Mono	91,769	-	91,769
Monterey	165,333	-	165,333
Napa	49,967	-	49,967
Nevada	35,468	-	35,468
Orange	939,461	-	939,461
Placer	233,140	-	233,140
Plumas	133,971	-	133,971
Riverside	2,820,885	-	2,820,885
Sacramento	4,382,675	-	4,382,675
San Benito	139,337	-	139,337
San Bernardino	1,308,422	-	1,308,422
San Diego	904,547	-	904,547
San Joaquin	928,675	-	928,675
San Luis Obispo	140,333	-	140,333

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<b>2020-21 Allocation of Funding for New Judgeships</b>			
<b>Court</b>	<b>Operations</b>	<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Total</b>
San Mateo	239,105	-	239,105
Santa Barbara	165,265	-	165,265
Santa Clara	472,591	-	472,591
Santa Cruz	98,978	-	98,978
Shasta	172,448	-	172,448
Siskiyou	19,049	-	19,049
Solano	199,837	193,657	393,494
Sonoma	194,161	258,343	452,504
Stanislaus	255,589	-	255,589
Sutter	143,936	-	143,936
Tehama	28,297	-	28,297
Trinity	8,503	-	8,503
Tulare	209,911	-	209,911
Tuolumne	25,334	-	25,334
Ventura	863,195	-	863,195
Yolo	207,324	-	207,324
Yuba	1,462	-	1,462
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$28,034,885</b>	<b>\$452,000</b>	<b>\$28,486,885</b>

If you have any questions related to this report, please contact Ms. Fran Mueller, Deputy Director, Judicial Council Budget Services, at 916-263-5771.

Sincerely,

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