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Executive Summary

As outlined in the California Rules of Court, rule 10.11, the Executive and Planning Committee (E&P) oversees the 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 presentation during the council's June business meeting.

Overview of Committee Meetings

Since the June council meeting, the committee has met twice by conference call on July 14 (open) and August 11 (open) and met in person on June 24 (closed). The June 24 closed session was held to continue reviewing nominations for Judicial Council advisory bodies. The committee also conducted two actions by e-mail. On July 22 the committee reviewed two reports for the Consent

Agenda that would otherwise have been discussed during an open meeting. On August 18 the committee reviewed a report for the Discussion Agenda that would otherwise have been discussed during an open meeting.

Agenda Setting and Other Business

During its July 14 meeting and July 22 e-mail action, the committee set the agenda for the council's July 29 business meeting. The committee also set the agenda for the council's August 25-26 business meetings during its August 11 meeting and August 18 e-mail action. The committee also conducted additional business as summarized below since the council's June business meeting.

Subordinate Judicial Officer Conversion Update and Requests (Action Required)

On July 14, the committee reviewed the policy update on Subordinate Judicial Officer conversions and recommended that it be included on the agenda for the Judicial Council meeting in August.

On August 11, the committee reviewed and approved a request from the Superior Court of California, Contra Costa County to eliminate four Subordinate Judicial Officer positions. The committee also reviewed and approved a request from the Superior Court of California, Placer County to defer the conversion of one vacant Subordinate Judicial Officer position to a judgeship.

Judicial Council Nominations

During a closed session on June 24, the committee continued reviewing nominations and approved recommendations for vacancies on twenty-two of the Judicial Council's advisory bodies for submission to the Chief Justice.