

Modifications to Judicial Branch Statistical Information System (JBSIS)

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JBSIS Working Group

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JBSIS and CEAC

- What is JBSIS
- CEAC Oversight
- JBSIS Working Group
- Charge, goals, and membership
- New Subcommittee of CEAC in 2018



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Guiding Principles for Revisions

- Focus on filings, case types, and court workload (i.e., RAS)
- Clarify definitions in areas identified by courts
- Align definitions and reporting categories for JBSIS and Portal
- Provide detailed examples and reporting rules for counting filings



Overview of Work: Phase I

- November 2013 – April 2015
- WG review of current JBSIS filing definitions
- Court comment and review of definitions
 - Almost 250 comments, questions, suggestions from about 40 courts
- WG review and identification of critical areas for clarification and revision
- Pause for staffing/resource issues



Overview of Work: Phase II

- April 2017 - current
- WG review of current definitions and recommendations from Phase I
- WG draft revised definitions
- Court review of revised definitions
- WG review comments and finalize definitions
- CEAC and JC approval

Summary of Changes: Civil

- Straightforward changes: mostly revised, updated language in definitions
- Single set of definitions and case type mapping between JBSIS and Portal
- Filings vs. Reopened cases
- Civil case coordination



Summary of Changes: Criminal

- Clarify Miscellaneous Criminal Petitions
- Filings vs. VOP and postdisposition workload
- Felony case dismissed and refiled as a new misdemeanor case
- Portal changes to align to JBSIS
 - Miscellaneous Criminal Petition
 - Traffic and nontraffic misdemeanors



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Summary of Changes: Family/Juvenile

- Initial vs. Subsequent filings
- DCSS child support
- Aligned Portal and JBSIS case types
- Added new case type categories
 - Non-minor dependent (AB 12)
 - Miscellaneous Juvenile Petition
- JC forms, additional examples



Summary of Changes: Mental Health/ Probate

- Consolidated Mental Health case type categories
- Clarified rules for certification and mental competency filings
- Aligned Probate reporting categories for JBSIS and Portal
- Clarified rules in Probate for temporary, subsequent, and competing petitions



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Recommendations

CEAC recommends that the Judicial Council:

1. Approve the revised statistical reporting definitions for the Judicial Branch Statistical Information System contained in Attachment A, effective July 1, 2018;
2. Direct Judicial Council staff to update the JBSIS manual, statewide JBSIS data warehouse, and any associated databases and electronic reporting interfaces consistent with recommendation 1; and
3. Delegate the authority to make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the revised definitions arising from court input to Judicial Council staff, subject to review by the Court Executives Advisory Committee.



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Next Steps

- Create new technical specifications for JBSIS
- Update and release new JBSIS Manual
- Establish subgroup of subject-matter experts to review ongoing court questions
 - CEAC Dispute Resolution Process
 - Development, testing, implementation
 - Case Management System vendors
- Effective date for Revisions: July 1, 2018
- Identify areas for future study



Questions and Discussion



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