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# REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

For business meeting on January 15, 2019

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**Title**

Report to the Legislature: Allocation of New  
Judgeships Funding in FY 2017–18

**Agenda Item Type**

Information Only

**Date of Report**

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**Submitted by**

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### Executive Summary

The Budget Act of 2007 (Stats. 2007, ch. 171/172) requires that the Judicial Council report to the Legislature January 1 each year the allocation of funding for support of new judgeships authorized in 2007-08 until all judgeships are appointed and new staff hired. Judicial Council's Budget Services submitted the attached report, "Report on Allocation of Funding in 2017-18 for Support of New Judgeships Authorized in 2007-08" to the Legislature on January 1, 2019.

### Relevant Previous Council Action

This report has been submitted to the Legislature annually since 2008, as required by the Budget Act of 2007. Previous reports are available at [www.courts.ca.gov/7466.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/7466.htm).

### Analysis/Rationale

The Budget Act of 2007 (Stats. 2007, ch. 171/172) included \$27.767 million in 2007–08 to support 50 new judgeships and staff. The funding represented ongoing funding for 50 judgeships, accompanying support staff, and facilities costs. Expenditure of the funding was contingent on the passage of legislation authorizing the establishment of the judicial positions.

The authorizing legislation, Assembly Bill 159 (Stats. 2007, ch. 722), was signed by the Governor and enacted into law on October 14, 2007. Provision 11 of the Budget Act of 2007 provided that “[t]he Judicial Council shall report to the Legislature on January 1, 2008, and each January 1 thereafter, until all judgeships are appointed, and new staff hired, on the amount of funds allocated to each trial court to fund the new portions.”

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

For FY 2017–18, a total of \$2.105 million was allocated in support of new judgeships authorized in FY 2007–08: \$1.653 million for operations costs from the Trial Court Trust Fund to 22 courts and \$452,000 for facilities costs from the Court Facilities Trust Fund for 2 courts.

### **Attachments**

1. Attachment A: *Report on Allocation of Funding in FY 2017–18 for Support of New Judgeships Authorized in FY 2007–08*



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Re: Report on Allocation of Funding in 2017–18 for Support of New Judgeships Authorized in 2007–08 as required under Statute 2007, chapters 171/172

Dear Ms. Boyer-Vine, Mr. Alvarez, and Mr. Wilson:

Below is the Judicial Council report required under the Budget Act of 2007 (Stats. 2007, ch. 171/172) on allocation of funding for support of new judgeships in 2017-18.

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The table below displays the 2017–18 allocation of the ongoing funding for operations from the Trial Court Trust Fund and the ongoing facilities funding from the Court Facilities Trust Fund, by court.

<b>Court</b>	<b>Operations</b>	<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Total</b>
Butte	\$ 28,234		\$ 28,234
Contra Costa	\$ 38,395		\$ 38,395
Del Norte	\$ 30,041		\$ 30,041
Fresno	\$ 118,390		\$ 118,390
Kern	\$ 99,042		\$ 99,042
Kings	\$ 27,244		\$ 27,244
Los Angeles	\$ 39,581		\$ 39,581
Madera	\$ 28,370		\$ 28,370
Merced	\$ 61,809		\$ 61,809
Monterey	\$ 32,093		\$ 32,093
Orange	\$ 36,812		\$ 36,812
Placer	\$ 72,835		\$ 72,835
Riverside	\$ 225,528		\$ 225,528
Sacramento	\$ 222,156		\$ 222,156
San Bernardino	\$ 224,715	\$ 20,735	\$ 245,450
San Joaquin	\$ 106,611		\$ 106,611
Shasta	\$ 29,747		\$ 29,747
Solano	\$ 35,189		\$ 35,189
Sonoma	\$ 40,672	\$ 431,265	\$ 471,937
Stanislaus	\$ 67,770		\$ 67,770
Tulare	\$ 56,781		\$ 56,781
Yolo	\$ 30,874		\$ 30,874
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,652,889</b>	<b>\$ 452,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,104,889</b>

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If you have any questions related to this report, please contact Zlatko Theodorovic, Director, Judicial Council Budget Services, at 916-263-1397.

Sincerely,



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Statutory citation: Budget Act of 2007 (Stats. 2007, ch. 171/172)

Date of report: January 1, 2019

The Judicial Council has submitted a report to the Legislature in  
accordance with the Budget Act of 2007 (Stats. 2007, ch. 171/172).

The following summary of the report is provided under the requirements  
of Government Code section 9795.

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copy of the report may be obtained by calling 415-865-7966.