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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 Judicial 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 May 2019 business meeting.

Overview of Committee Meetings

Since the May 2019 Judicial Council meeting, the committee conducted one action by e-mail on June 7 and met by conference call on June 20.

Agenda Setting and Other Business

During its June 20 conference call, the committee set the agenda for the council's July 18–19 business meeting. As summarized below, the committee also conducted additional business since the council's May 2019 business meeting.

Subordinate Judicial Officer Conversions

During its June 7 action by e-mail, the committee reviewed and confirmed a request from the Superior Court of Amador County to convert one 0.3 full time equivalent (FTE) court commissioner position to a 1.0 FTE court commissioner position. Additionally, during its June 20 conference call, the committee reviewed and confirmed a request from the Superior Court of San Mateo County to convert one subordinate judicial officer position to a judgeship.

Sabbatical Leave Request

During its June 20 conference call, the committee reviewed and approved a sabbatical leave request from Judge Nicholas S. Thompson, Superior Court of Orange County. After approving the request, the committee also approved it for placement on the consent agenda of the July 18–19 council's business meeting. It appears as Item 19-146 on the consent agenda.

Recommendations for Appointments to Judicial Council Advisory Bodies

During a closed session of its June 20 conference call, the committee reviewed out-of-cycle nominations and developed recommendations to the Chief Justice regarding appointments to the following advisory bodies:

- Advisory Committee on Civil Jury Instructions;
- Executive Committee of Court Executives Advisory Committee; and
- Trial Court Facility Modification Advisory Committee.