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Executive Summary

The following information outlines some of the many activities staff is engaged in to further the Judicial Council's strategic goals and priorities for the judicial branch. The report focuses on action since the council's September meeting and is exclusive of issues on the November business meeting agenda.

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Continuity of Operations Assistance During Wildfires and Public Safety Power Shutoffs

Support was provided to courts dealing with the recent wildfires and electricity outages. This included processing of emergency order requests for five affected courts, deployment of smoke/air scrubbers to several facilities of the Superior Court of Sonoma County during the Kincadee fire, and information sharing with courts on PG&E shutoffs. In addition, Dependency Representation, Administration, Funding, and Training program staff facilitated contact between dependency attorney providers and the Department of Social Services to help mobilize and locate unaccounted-for foster children in Sonoma County in the wake of the Kincadee fire.

Expanding Online Access in Traffic Court

The Superior Court of San Francisco County became the fourth court (following Tulare, Shasta, and Ventura) to deploy the online Ability to Pay determination system for traffic violation fines and fees. Council staff worked with the public, judges, and court staff using the new system to submit and consider online requests for fine and fee reductions and issue final orders. (Three more courts will be added to the pilot program in the New Year.)

Temporary Assigned Judges Program Improvements

A new online assignment request system has streamlined the process for courts throughout the state seeking temporary judge assistance and is providing improved tracking and monitoring of assignment requests.

Human Resources Support

Filing support was provided to four superior courts in complying with annual reporting requirements of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Labor negotiations assistance was provided to 18 trial courts on 21 matters. Additionally, support was provided on 45 labor and employee-related matters, including assisting trial courts in responding to grievances, Family and Medical Leave Act advice, and general performance management assistance.

Facilities Services

- Court facility modifications as of October 31, 2019:

<i>Status</i>	<i>Number of Modifications</i>	<i>Estimated Cost</i>
Awaiting Shared Cost	6	\$7,310,011
In Design	46	\$6,235,275
In Work	933	\$194,145,567
<i>Total</i>	<i>985</i>	<i>\$207,690,853</i>

- Twenty-eight real estate transactions were completed, including new leases in Los Angeles and Kern Counties; lease/license renewals in Inyo, San Bernardino, and San Diego Counties; a lease termination in Santa Clara County; and 18 short-term event licenses were executed.

Foster Care Support

Case file reviews were conducted at juvenile courts in Marin, Placer, and San Benito Counties to identify issues and training needs to maintain federal Title IV-E (foster care) funding.

Stakeholder and Justice Partner Collaboration

Staff met with state collaborative court coordinators at the National Center for State Courts' Problem-Solving Courts Summit to learn about data collection projects in other states and inform data-gathering efforts of Judicial Council collaborative justice programs. Staff also attended a national judicial leadership summit on fostering court collaboration with child protection agencies.

Appellate Court Services

Support was provided for quarterly meetings of the Appellate Court Clerks' Association, which included education and human resources updates, and statewide technology updates; and the Appellate Managing Attorneys meeting that focused on fiscal budget training, prisoner electronic delivery pilot program, Proposition 66, and the appellate Document Management System.

Advisory Bodies

Judicial Council advisory bodies focusing on the following areas of judicial administration met in person, by phone, or WebEx since the council's September meeting:

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| 1. Audits and Financial Accountability | 10. Legislative Advocacy |
| 2. Access and Fairness | 11. Pretrial Reform |
| 3. Collaborative Justice Courts | 12. Traffic |
| 4. Court Executives | 13. Trial Court Budget |
| 5. Court Facilities | 14. Trial Court Facility Modification |
| 6. Court Security | 15. Presiding Judges |
| 7. Criminal Jury Instructions | 16. Tribal Court-State Court Forum |
| 8. Family and Juvenile Law | |
| 9. Information Technology | |

Meeting Details

1. Advisory Committee on Audits and Financial Accountability for the Judicial Branch

- Reviewed council audits of the Superior Courts of Modoc and Trinity Counties, evaluating court compliance with the cash handling, procurement activities, spending controls, and quality of case filings data reported to the Judicial Branch Statistical Information System.

2. Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness

- Discussed disability issues and reviewed proposed modifications of rules of court, and received a legislative update.

3. Bench-Bar Coalition

- Convened the annual fall meeting in conjunction with the California Judges Association, California Lawyers Association, and Conference of California Bar Associations. Discussions focused on legislation affecting courts and advocacy on judicial branch priorities.

4. Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee

- Discussed the process of making judicial determinations in cases involving litigants with behavioral health issues, funding for collaborative justice courts, findings from the Veterans Treatment Court study, AB 1810 trainings, the incompetent to stand trial report, and juvenile psychotropic medication.
- *Veterans of the Court and Military Families Subcommittee and the Mental Health Subcommittee:* Reviewed recommendations from the draft Veterans Treatment Courts Strategic Plan.

5. Court Executives Advisory Committee

- Discussed potential strategies to increase the court reporter pool and address court reporter shortages.
- Discussed discontinuation of funding tracking through the Non-Trial Court Trust Fund and next steps for accomplishing this change.
- Discussed whether courts should be using the plea or sentencing date when reporting in compliance with Vehicle Code 1803 (reporting abstracts on misdemeanor or felony vehicle code violations) and determined that the sentencing date should be used if it differs from the conviction date.
- Received progress updates on court-appointed dependency counsel funding under Title IV-E and the recalculation of allocations, and received information and provided input on AB 5 (Gonzalez) Worker status: employees and independent contractors, signed by the Governor.

6. Court Facilities Advisory Committee

- After reviewing court/public comments, approved final recommendations to the council on the revised prioritization methodology and statewide list for trial court capital outlay projects.

7. Court Security Advisory Committee

- Discussed Court Security Plan notification deadlines under rule 10.172, participant evaluations of Continuity of Operations workshops, and the committee's annual agenda.
- Security system program evaluations were conducted at court facilities in Alameda, Fresno, Lassen, Modoc, Placer, San Diego, Tulare, and Yuba Counties to inform the work of the committee.

8. Criminal Jury Instructions Advisory Committee

- Reviewed and refined suggested modifications of criminal jury instructions, including instructions to comply with *People v. Canizales* regarding kill zone theory, and AB 392 (Weber) Peace officers: deadly force.

9. Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee

- Discussed a joint proposal with the Appellate Advisory Committee dealing with access to juvenile records, revisions to psychotropic medication forms, adoption of a probate form for stand-in guardians, revision of the rule regarding release of juvenile records, and revisions to protective order forms.

10. Information Technology Advisory Committee

- Received an update from the Identity and Access Management Workstream, and began planning for 2020 annual agenda.

11. Pretrial Reform and Operations Workgroup

- Reviewed progress on the Pretrial Pilot Program that is being conducted with 16 participating courts.

12. Traffic Advisory Committee

- Reviewed and discussed potential changes to the 2020 Uniform Bail and Penalty Schedules after reviewing feedback from a survey sent to all courts.

13. Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

- Approved an extension on receipt of Children's Waiting Room funds during a temporary closure for the Superior Court of Contra Costa County.
- *Funding Methodology Subcommittee*: Discussed a methodology for reallocation of workload formula funds in years of no new money, distribution of the fee for court reporter services in civil proceedings, a workload formula adjustment request from the Superior Court of El Dorado County, and received an update on the annual review of base funding floors in the workload formula.
- *Fiscal Planning Subcommittee*: Approved two requests from courts for Trial Court Trust Fund monies to be held on their behalf and considered revisions to the request process.

14. Trial Court Facility Modification Advisory Committee

- Visited courthouses in Rancho Cucamonga, Victorville, San Bernardino, and Riverside Counties to review facility conditions and maintenance requirements.

15. Trial Court Presiding Judges Advisory Committee

- Discussed how courts handle mental health diversions, a potential pilot project concerning streamlined civil discovery, and addressing judicial coverage through reciprocal assignments from neighboring courts.
- *Joint Trial Court Presiding Judges/Court Executives Advisory Committees Meeting*: Discussed a report on the Transition-Age Youth Pilot Project, implementation of AB 1793 (Bonta) Cannabis convictions: resentencing, and updated parameters of the Judicial Workload Study caseweights.

16. Tribal Court–State Court Forum

- Received updates on judicial appointments, California Child Welfare Council activities, rules and forms proposals, and comments on an Indian Child Welfare Act-related Federal Register item.

Summary

Judicial Education

1. Delinquency Legal Update
2. New Judge Orientation
3. Probate and Mental Health Institute
4. Qualifying Judicial Ethics

Judicial Officer, Court Employee, and Justice System Partner Programs

5. Advanced Core 40 (Court Management)
6. Appellate Staff Institute and Appellate Systems Administrators Institute
7. Budget 101
8. Building Relationships within the Judicial Branch
9. California Association of Collaborative Courts' Annual Conference
10. Court Security
11. Disarming Prohibited Persons Convening
12. Indian Child Welfare Act
13. Leadership—Institute for Court Management
14. Purposes and Responsibilities of Courts—Institute for Court Management
15. Pretrial Justice Practice Institute
16. Small Court Technology Summit
17. Title IV-E Law and Process

Distance Education

Podcast

18. Notice Issues in Probate
19. The Digital Judge
20. The “Off-Ramp”: Strategies to Resolve Contested Probate Cases Efficiently (and video)

Video

21. Confidentiality in Appeals Processing
22. Juvenile Record Sealing
23. Talking with Families About Proposed Guardianships

Webinar

24. AB 1058 Rolling Time Study Timekeeping Methodology
25. Bail and Pretrial Release
26. Family Court Services
27. Juvenile Court Activity Tracker System
28. Preventing and Responding to Sexual Harassment, for commissioners, referees, supervisors, and managers

Publication Updates

- 29. 2019 Civil Proceedings Benchbook: Discovery
- 30. Bench Handbook: Fairness and Access
- 31. Benchbook: Search and Seizure

Detail

AB 1058 Rolling Time Study Timekeeping Methodology

Webinar for accounting staff on how to request reimbursement for payroll expenses using the rolling time study timekeeping method.

Advanced Core 40: Court Management

Emphasizes skills for more experienced court supervisors.

Appellate Staff Institute and Appellate Systems Administrators Institute

More than 140 court staff participated in this combined institute to refine skills and share innovative practices.

Bail and Pretrial Release

Webinar on current law governing bail and pretrial release and the origins of the bail system to ensure appearance in court.

Budget 101

Training for appellate clerk and assistant clerk executive officers on funding sources, discretionary and non-discretionary funding, annual budget allocations, the architectural revolving fund, among other fiscal matters.

Building Relationships Within the Judicial Branch

Skills and strategies for court leaders to develop and demonstrate when working with colleagues and community partners.

California Association of Collaborative Courts' Annual Conference

Education related to mental and behavioral health, juvenile dependency drug court, veterans and military families, and emerging collaborative court types.

Confidentiality in Appeals Processing

Video on confidentiality concerns often found when processing records going to the Court of Appeal.

Court Security

Active shooter response and court security trainings for the Superior Courts of Kern and San Luis Obispo Counties.

Delinquency Legal Update

Legal updates for delinquency judges with an overview of required Title IV-E findings, orders, and timelines as well as discussion on changes implemented by the Continuum of Care Reform, and changes to the reproductive health rights of teens in care.

Disarming Prohibited Persons Convening

Presentation at the Giffords Law Center conference on the Judicial Council forms process and an overview of procedures for obtaining protective orders in State courts.

Family Court Services

- Webinar for Family Court Services directors, managers, supervisors, and court administrators on the preliminary findings and next steps of the Mediation Child Custody Recommending Model Survey.
- Webinar focused on leveraging technology in mediation, digital service enhancements, legal updates, data driven decision making, and domestic violence considerations for safety in the workplace and in the mediation process.

Indian Child Welfare Act

Training at the California County Counsel Association's Child Welfare Conference focused on recent changes to legal requirements under the Act and recently revised Judicial Council rules and forms.

Juvenile Court Activity Tracker System

Webinar on the Juvenile Court Activity Tracker System—a comprehensive child dependency database—for court appointed counsel from Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, and San Diego Counties.

Juvenile Dependency Writs in Three Easy Steps

Training for juvenile dependency attorneys on preliminary steps to filing a petition.

Juvenile Record Sealing

Video on the exercise of judicial discretion when determining whether to seal juvenile records.

New Judge Orientation

Week-long program for new judges, commissioners, and referees on judicial duties and ethical responsibilities in ensuring fairness in all proceedings, promoting uniform court practices, and improving the administration of justice.

Notice Issues in Probate

Podcast on how to navigate notice provisions in the different types of probate court cases.

Pretrial Justice Practice Institute

Two-day institute for the 16 courts participating in the pretrial pilot project. More than 100 judges, court executives, information officers, probation, sheriffs, and other justice partners

explored the role of court leadership in pretrial release programs. The institute also provided recent research on risk assessment, examined monitoring and supervision practices, and familiarized participants with the use of technology to support and integrate these processes.

Preventing and Responding to Sexual Harassment

Webinar for commissioners, referees, supervisors, and managers on strategies for identifying and preventing sexual harassment, discrimination, and retaliation in the workplace.

Probate and Mental Health Institute

Decedents' estates, probate conservatorships and guardianships, and Lanterman-Petris-Short Act proceedings.

Purposes and Responsibilities of Courts—Institute for Court Management

Historical and societal context for the development of the court system and the courts' ability to fulfill its purposes and responsibilities.

Small Court Technology Summit

Held in cooperation with the California Trial Court Consortium, more than 100 attendees from 25 of the smaller courts and Courts of Appeal participated in plenary sessions, workshops, and a technology showcase/exhibit addressing small court technology business needs.

Talking with Families About Proposed Guardianships

Video guide for probate investigators on methods to introduce adult family members to a proposed guardianship.

The Digital Judge

Note-taking on the bench and use of Dropbox.

The “Off-Ramp”: Strategies to Resolve Contested Probate Cases Efficiently

Video/podcast on strategies to move along the resolution of probate court cases, particularly contested matters.

Title IV-E Law and Process

Training for juvenile court judges, county counsel, probation, and court staff of Superior Court of Tulare County on Title IV-E findings required at hearings, the timeline for hearings, preparation of corresponding orders, and recent legislative changes that impact findings and orders in out-of-home placement cases.

Staffing Metrics

As of October 30, 2019

	Executive Division				Leadership Services Division		Operations & Programs Division					Administrative Division				
STAFFING	Audit Services	Executive Office	Governmental Affairs	Public Affairs	Leadership Support Services	Legal Services	Business Mgmt Services	Center for Families, Children, & the Courts	Center for Judicial Education & Research	Criminal Justice Services	Information Technology	Branch Accounting & Procurement	Budget Services	Facilities Services	Human Resources	Judicial Council
Authorized Position (FTE)	14.00	12.00	10.00	9.00	65.80	55.00	18.00	86.10	48.50	32.00	138.00	147.00	36.00	142.00	52.00	865.40
Filled Authorized Position (FTE)	12.00	11.00	9.00	8.00	59.80	45.00	15.00	68.95	43.00	19.80	99.88	125.00	27.00	115.00	43.00	701.43
Headcount - Employees	12	11	9	8	60	47	15	69	43	20	100	125	27	115	43	704.00
Vacancy (FTE)	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	6.00	10.00	3.00	17.15	5.50	12.20	38.12	22.00	9.00	27.00	9.00	163.97
Vacancy Rate (FTE)	14.3%	8.3%	10.0%	11.1%	9.1%	18.2%	16.7%	19.9%	11.3%	38.1%	27.6%	15.0%	25.0%	19.0%	17.3%	18.95%
Judicial Council Temp Employee (909)	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	4.00
*Employment Agency Temporary Worker (FTE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3.00
Contractors (FTE)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	31.30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	31.30
TOTAL WORKFORCE <i>(based on FTE, 909s, Agency Temps & Contractors)</i>	12.00	13.00	9.00	8.00	59.80	45.00	15.00	70.95	43.00	19.80	131.18	126.00	27.00	117.00	43.00	739.73

See following page for definition of terms.

Definitions:

Authorized Position (FTE)	Authorized positions include all regular ongoing positions approved in the Budget Act for that year. The number is based on the position's approved full time equivalency.
Filled Authorized Position (FTE)	Filled authorized positions are the number of authorized positions filled based on the employee's full time equivalency.
Headcount	The actual count of persons employed by the Judicial Council, regardless of FTE. This number could be more than the FTE count due to part-time employees being counted as "1". This count does not include Judicial Council Temporary Employees (909) or Employment Agency Temporary Workers.
Vacancy (FTE)	The number of vacancies is the number of authorized positions minus the number of filled authorized positions.
Vacancy Rate (FTE)	Vacancy Rate is calculated by dividing the number of authorized positions by the number of vacant authorized positions. This number excludes temporary employees ("909" funded employees). See definition of temporary employees below.
Judicial Council Temporary Employees (909)	<p>The "909 category is the State Controller code used to reference a temporary position or a temporary employee.</p> <p>909 Position - it is a position that may not be funded through the Budget Act and it is categorized by the Office of the State Controller as a temporary position used in the absence of an authorized position. 909 positions may be occupied by regular full-time employees due to the unavailability of an authorized vacant position. 909 Employee - An employee whose salary is not funded through the Budget Act. 909 employees may receive benefits if employed at least half-time and the term of employment is for more than six months. Types of "909" Temporary Employees include: Retired Annuitants: A retired annuitant is a retiree who is hired by his or her former employer or by another employer that participates in the same retirement system as the former employer. This includes a former participant in a state retirement system who has previously retired and who is currently receiving retirement benefits. Temporary: Employees employed on a temporary basis - they do not receive full benefits (but do receive CalPERS retirement service credit).</p>
Employment Agency Temporary Worker (FTE)	These are workers from an employment agency. They are employees of the employment agency that provide short-term support.
Contractor (FTE)	Individuals augmenting the work of the organization and providing services for a limited period of time or on a specific project, where a particular skill set is required that is either (1) not within an existing classification and/or job description or (2) where recruitment issues require the use of a contractor.
Full Time Equivalency (FTE)	Full Time Equivalency is the number of total maximum compensable hours designated in a year divided by actual hours worked in a year. For example, the work year is defined as 2,080 hours; one employee occupying a paid full time job all year would consume one FTE. One employee working for 1,040 hours each would consume .5 FTE.
Time Base	<p>Full time: Employee is scheduled to work 40 hours per week. Receives full benefits.</p> <p>Part time: Employee is scheduled to work less than 40 hours per week. Employees that work more than 20 hours per week receive full benefits.</p> <p>Intermittent: Employees have no established work schedule and work on an as-needed basis that varies from one pay period to the next. Eligibility for certain benefits may be limited for these employees.</p>
Regular Employee	Commonly referred to as "permanent employees" – They receive full benefits.
Limited Term	Limited Term Position – It is a position that is funded through the Budget Act with a specific end date. The position is counted as an authorized position. Employee in limited term positions may be regular or temporary.

Judicial Appointments and Vacancies Report

Judicial Appointments: There have been 11 judicial appointments since the September Judicial Council meeting: Superior Courts of Contra Costa (1); Los Angeles (3); Mendocino (1); Napa (1); Riverside (1); San Diego (3); and Santa Clara (1).

Number of Judgeships Authorized, Filled, and Vacant as of October 31, 2019

TYPE OF COURT	NUMBER OF COURTS	NUMBER OF JUDGESHIPS					
		Authorized	Filled	Vacant	Vacant (Unfunded AB 159 positions)	<i>Filled (Last Month)</i>	<i>Vacant (Last Month)</i>
Supreme Court	1	7	7	0	0	7	0
Courts of Appeal	6	106	104	2	0	104	2
Superior Courts	58	1,743	1,668	52	23	1,657	86
All Courts	65	1,856	1,779	77		1,768	88

Fifty new judgeships were authorized (AB 159), but not funded in 2008. Funding was provided for two of the judgeships in the 2018 Budget Act, and an additional 25 judgeships funded in the 2019 Budget Act were allocated in September 2019 (see green highlight).

JUDICIAL VACANCIES: APPELLATE COURTS

Appellate District	Vacancies	Reason for Vacancy	Justice to be Replaced	Last Day In Office
First Appellate District, Division Three	1	Retirement	Hon. Martin J. Jenkins	2/22/2019
Fourth Appellate District, Division One	1	Retirement	Hon. Gilbert Nares	8/30/2019
TOTAL VACANCIES	2			

JUDICIAL VACANCIES: SUPERIOR COURTS

County	Vacancies	Reason for Vacancy	Judge to be Replaced	Last Day In Office
Alameda	1	Retirement	Hon. Kimberly M. Briggs	4/8/2019

Fresno	3	Retirement	Hon. Donald S. Black	7/22/2019
Fresno		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Fresno		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Kern	2	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Kern		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Kings	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Los Angeles	6	Retirement	Hon. Georgina T. Rizk	9/30/2019
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Scott M. Gordon	8/16/2019
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Marvin M. Lager	4/5/2019
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. John Joseph Cheroske	2/25/2019
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Gerald Rosenberg	2/14/2019
Los Angeles		Retirement	Hon. Dan Thomas Oki	1/31/2019
Madera	1	Retirement	Hon. Joseph A. Soldani	6/30/2019
Merced	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Orange	5	Retirement	Hon. Geoffrey T. Glass	6/21/2019
Orange		Retirement	Hon. Franz E. Miller	4/29/2019
Orange		Retirement	Hon. Robert C. Gannon	3/20/2019
Orange		Retirement	Hon. David R. Chaffee	3/4/2019
Orange		Retirement	Hon. Kim Garlin Dunning	1/31/2019
Riverside	6	Retirement	Hon. Michael B. Donner	9/30/2019
Riverside		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Riverside		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Riverside		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Riverside		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Riverside		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Sacramento	4	Retirement	Hon. Robert M. Twiss	3/1/2019
Sacramento		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Sacramento		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Sacramento		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
San Bernardino	6	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019

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San Bernardino		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
San Francisco	1	Retirement	Hon. Carol Yaggy	4/10/2019
San Joaquin	3	Retirement	Hon. W. Stephen Scott	7/1/2019
San Joaquin		Retirement	Hon. Lesley D. Holland	4/2/2019
San Joaquin		Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
San Mateo	3	Retirement	Hon. Mark R. Forcum	9/10/2019
San Mateo		Commissioner Conversion	Vacancy	6/20/2019
San Mateo		Retirement	Hon. Marta S. Diaz	3/1/2019
Santa Clara	3	Retirement	Hon. Joshua Weinstein	9/3/2019
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Patrick Tondreau	7/31/2019
Santa Clara		Retirement	Hon. Rise Jones Pichon	4/18/2019
Shasta	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Sonoma	1	Retirement	Hon. Robert S. Boyd	6/3/2019
Stanislaus	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Tulare	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Ventura	1	Newly created position	Vacancy	9/24/2019
Yolo	1	Retirement	Hon. Janet Gaard	3/16/2019
TOTAL VACANCIES	52			

JUDGE ALLOCATION LIST		
Judgeship Type and Status	Number Authorized	List of Judgeships by Current Allocation
Authorized, but not funded or filled (AB 159)	23	Please see: https://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/jc-20161028-16-161.pdf and https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB847

Number of Judgeships Authorized, Filled, and Vacant, October 2017–October 2019 (two years) *

Month	Superior Courts				Courts of Appeal			
	Authorized	Filled	Vacancy	Vacancy Rate	Authorized	Filled	Vacancy	Vacancy Rate
Oct-17	1,732	1,584	152	8.8%	105	94	11	10.5%
Nov-17	1,732	1,613	119	6.9%	105	96	9	8.6%
Dec-17	1,732	1,630	102	5.9%	105	95	10	9.5%
Jan-18	1,732	1,621	111	6.4%	105	94	11	10.5%
Feb-18	1,732	1,632	100	5.8%	105	97	8	7.6%
Mar-18	1,732	1,623	109	6.3%	105	95	10	9.5%
Apr-18	1,732	1,617	115	6.6%	105	93	12	11.4%
May-18	1,732	1,608	124	7.2%	105	93	12	11.4%
Jun-18	1,732	1,627	105	6.1%	105	97	8	7.6%
Jul-18	1,732	1,633	99	5.7%	105	101	4	3.8%
Aug-18	1,732	1,618	114	6.6%	105	100	5	4.8%
Sep-18	1,743	1,619	124	7.1%	106	100	6	5.7%
Oct-18	1,743	1,658	85	4.9%	106	103	3	2.8%
Nov-18	1,743	1,663	80	4.6%	106	106	0	0.0%
Dec-18	1,743	1,679	64	3.7%	106	106	0	0.0%
Jan-19	1,743	1,687	56	3.2%	106	106	0	0.0%
Feb-19	1,743	1,688	55	3.2%	106	105	1	0.9%
Mar-19	1,743	1,683	60	3.4%	106	105	1	0.9%
Apr-19	1,743	1,675	68	3.9%	106	105	1	0.9%
May-19	1,743	1,675	68	3.9%	106	105	1	0.9%
Jun-19	1,743	1,672	71	4.1%	106	105	1	0.9%
Jul-19	1,743	1,667	68	3.9%	106	105	1	0.9%
Aug-19	1,743	1,662	81	4.6%	106	104	2	1.9%
Sep-19	1,743	1,660	83	4.8%	106	104	2	1.9%
Oct-19	1,743	1,668	75	4.3%	106	104	2	1.9%

* As of November 1, 2019.

Note: Growth in number of Authorized Judicial Positions reflects SJO conversions, as well as newly funded positions via the 2019 Budget Act. Since 2007, 155 SJO positions have been converted to judgeships .

Percentage of Judgeship Vacancies in the Superior Courts, October 2017–October 2019

