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Executive Summary

As outlined in the California Rules of Court, rule 10.16, the Technology Committee oversees the council's policies concerning information technology. The committee assists the council by providing technology recommendations focusing on the establishment of policies that emphasize long-term strategic leadership and that align with judicial branch goals. The committee is responsible for determining that council policies are complied with on specific projects approved and funded by the council and that those projects proceed on schedule and within scope and budget.

Overview of Committee Meetings

Since the September 2020 Judicial Council meeting, the committee met by videoconference on October 9 and conducted an action by email.

Court Modernization Funding, Fiscal Year (FY) 2020–21

The proposed funding models, allocation methodology, program requirements, as well as the process for submitting an application for receiving a portion of the funding for the modernization of court operations included in the California State Budget for FY 2020–21 were reviewed at the open meeting. The committee then sought additional feedback from the IT Community and subsequently took action by email following a public comment period to approve the

recommended allocations for the \$25 million in court modernization funding and clarified program description language. The Technology Committee approved a direct distribution of \$12.5 million to the trial courts for approved projects within specific program categories, as well as \$10 million for branchwide initiatives, trial court grant programs, and Judicial Council support services.

Language Access Services Signage and Technology Grant Program, FY 2020–21

The committee approved the proposed awards for the Signage and Technology Grant program for FY 2020–21.

Futures Commission Directive: Voice to Text Language Services Outside the Courtroom

The committee reviewed and discussed the draft report to the Judicial Council on the potential of a pilot project using real-time voice-to-text language services at court filing and service counters and in self-help centers. The committee recommended submitting the report to the Judicial Council for consideration.

Data Analytics Workstream

The committee received an update on the progress of the workstream, including an overview of proposed governance principles and policies, the timeline for finalizing its work, and the process for soliciting feedback on the proposed principles and policies from judicial branch entities and the public.