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Judicial Branch Administration | Sabbatical Request for Judge Jo-Lynne Q. Lee (Action Required)

Summary

The Executive and Planning Committee recommends the approval of an unpaid sabbatical leave for Judge Jo-Lynne Q. Lee, Superior Court of Alameda County, for the period of January 1, 2023, through May 31, 2023. During this sabbatical leave, Judge Lee intends to be a Visiting Fellow with the Commercial Law Center at Magdalen College, Oxford University to engage in a study comparing asbestos litigation as practiced in California with asbestos litigation as practiced in the United Kingdom and comparing the outcomes; she has now been formally invited since her April 15, 2022 letter. Judge Lee intends to share the information learned from the study with her colleagues on the bench and with the Alameda court's administrators in hopes that it will lead to improvements in the management of the asbestos caseload. She also intends to submit an article for publication in the journal of the Alameda County Bar Association.

Recommendation

The Executive and Planning Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective January 1, 2023, approve a request for an unpaid sabbatical leave for Judge Jo-Lynne Lee, Superior Court of Alameda County, from January 1 through May 31, 2023.