



# Judicial Council of California

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### Title

## Judicial Branch Technology | Court Modernization Funding, Fiscal Year 2020-21, Quarter 3 (Action Required)

### Summary

The Budget Act of 2020 (Stats. 2020, ch. 7) appropriated \$25 million for the modernization of trial court operations. The Judicial Council asked the Technology Committee to recommend allocation of the funding and later approved allocation of \$12.5 million directly to trial courts for use in one or more identified program categories, \$10 million for branchwide initiatives, and \$2.5 million to be held in reserve for program adjustments. The Technology Committee recommends that the Judicial Council approve allocating \$4.3 million (funded partly from the \$10 million identified for branchwide initiatives and partly from the \$2.5 million held in reserve) to trial courts to allow expanded participation in four branchwide programs. The Technology Committee also recommends that \$25,000 be allocated to each of 32 courts currently engaged in efforts to digitize their paper records (\$800,000 in total which will utilize all remaining funds from the \$2.5 million held in reserve).

### Recommendation

The Technology Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective March 12, 2021:

1. Receive and accept the attached lists of Court Technology Modernization Funding: Proposed Additional Allocations to Courts for Branchwide Programs (Attachment B) and Court Technology Modernization Funding: Proposed Allocations to Courts for Digitizing Documents (Attachment C);
2. Approve the direct trial court allocations itemized in Attachment B; and
3. Approve the allocation of \$25,000 to each of the 32 courts currently digitizing their paper records, as reflected in Attachment C