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Trial Court Allocations: Revisions to the Workload-Based Allocation and Funding Methodology (WAFM) Adjustment Request Procedures (Action Required)

Summary

The Judicial Council established the *Workload-Based Allocation and Funding Methodology (WAFM) Adjustment Request Procedures* in August 2013 as a means for trial courts to request changes to the WAFM model for factors not included in its calculations and/or to request ongoing adjustments. The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council approve revisions to the WAFM adjustment request procedures to better serve the needs of the trial courts.

Recommendation

The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) unanimously recommends that the Judicial Council, effective July 28, 2017, approve the following revisions to the *Workload-Based Allocation and Funding Methodology (WAFM) Adjustment Request Procedures*:

1. Make technical changes to reflect organizational changes within the Judicial Council of California;
2. Change the submittal date and review timelines by the Funding Methodology Subcommittee (FMS) and the TCBAC;
3. Formalize that no changes to the WAFM formulae can occur after the March/April Judicial Council meeting if they impact the subsequent fiscal year; and
4. Allow the FMS to take expedited action on the request, if directed by the TCBAC.

Speakers

Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Co-Chair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee