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Judicial Branch Administration | Ad Hoc Workgroup on Post-Pandemic Initiatives Final Report (No Action Required)

Summary

In March 2021, former Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye established the Ad Hoc Workgroup on Post-Pandemic Initiatives to examine court practices adopted during the pandemic to increase access to justice, modernize services, and promote uniformity in court practices going forward. Beginning in March 2021, the workgroup received input from 76 stakeholders from 46 entities. The workgroup released two interim reports on remote access to courts and improving the juror experience, drafted a remote proceedings guide for judicial officers, developed a Judicial Council policy on remote access to electronic court records, and submitted a report to the Legislature and Governor under Code of Civil Procedure section 367.9. Additionally, the workgroup referred eight concepts to Judicial Council advisory bodies, the Judicial Council staff organization, and other stakeholders for further development. This report serves as the final report of the Ad Hoc Workgroup on Post-Pandemic Initiatives, outlining the many accomplishments of the workgroup to increase access to justice, modernize services, and promote uniformity in court practices across the state.

Speakers

Hon. Marsha G. Slough (Ret.), Chair, Ad Hoc Workgroup on Post-Pandemic Initiatives
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