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Judicial Council: Advisory Committee Membership and Terms (Action Required)

Summary

The Judicial Council's Rules and Projects Committee recommends the amendment of several rules in the California Rules of Court relating to membership on advisory committees. The amendments modify rule 10.31, the general rule on membership, to clarify the terms of the chairs, members, and advisory members. In addition, the rules relating to four specific advisory committees are amended to add new or to modify existing categories of membership.

Recommendation

The Judicial Council's Rules and Projects Committee recommends¹ that the council, effective February 1, 2018:

1. Amend rule 10.31, on advisory committee membership and terms, to clarify the terms of the chairs, members, and advisory members;
2. Amend rule 10.42, on the Criminal Law Advisory Committee, to add, as an additional category of membership, a mental health professional with experience in criminal law issues;
3. Amend rule 10.43, on the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee, to add, as an additional category of membership, a mental health professional with experience in family and children's issues;
4. Amend rule 10.44, on the Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee, to add, as an additional category of membership, a lawyer working for a public interest organization or court self-help center whose practice focuses on guardianships or conservatorships; and
5. Amend rule 10.60, on the Tribal Court-State Court Forum, to provide that, as a category of membership, the forum must have at least one, but no more than three, California executive branch officials responsible for tribal-related work.