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Judicial Council to Hold Public Meeting in San Francisco on Friday, June 29

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San Francisco—The Judicial Council of California will hold a public business meeting from 8:45 to 10:15 a.m. on Friday, June 29, 2007, at the Judicial Council Conference Center, Hiram W. Johnson State Office Building, Third Floor, 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco.

Chaired by Chief Justice Ronald M. George, the council is the administrative policymaking body of the California courts. The meeting will be audiocast live on the California Courts Web site at www.courtinfo.ca.gov/jc/. The agenda and reports are available at www.courtinfo.ca.gov/jc/documents/age062907.pdf.

Four reports are on the council's agenda, as follows:

Courthouse Site Selection and Acquisition: The council will consider the adoption of a Site Selection and Acquisition Policy for court facilities. The policy is designed to provide open, balanced, and reasoned consideration of desired site qualities before any property search is made.

Site Acquisition Approval for Plumas/Sierra Counties: The council will consider whether to proceed with site acquisition for the new Portola/Loyalton Courthouse and whether to adopt a study and declaration undertaken in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

Jury Instructions: The council will consider a recommendation to publish the second set of revisions and additions to the *Judicial Council of California Criminal Jury Instructions (CALCRIM)*.

Child Support and Family Law: The council will consider a proposal to approve the allocation of non-trial court funding to local courts for the child support commissioner and family law facilitator program.

The Judicial Council is the policymaking body of the California courts, the largest court system in the nation. Under the leadership of the Chief Justice and in accordance with the California Constitution, the council is responsible for ensuring the consistent, independent, impartial, and accessible administration of justice. The Administrative Office of the Courts carries out the official actions of the council and promotes leadership and excellence in court administration.