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AOC Announces Settlement of Employment Litigation

SAN FRANCISCO— The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) today announced the settlement of *Jack Urquhart v. Administrative Office of the Courts*, an employment lawsuit filed on January 2, 2010, in the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco. No date had been set for trial.

The AOC disputes the allegations and denies any wrongdoing or liability for Mr. Urquhart's claims. Under the terms of the settlement, the AOC will pay \$50,000 to the plaintiff and his attorney and \$3,781.93 for the services of a mediator. The lawsuit will be dismissed in its entirety.

"We are pleased that this matter has been resolved amicably," said Mary Roberts, General Counsel for the AOC. "The AOC remains committed to the highest ethical standards of public service. We respect and value the unique talents that each of our employees contributes to advancing the Judicial Council's goal of improving access to justice in California."

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