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The Judicial Branch now on YouTube and Twitter

SAN FRANCISCO—The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) has launched the California Courts **YouTube Channel** and **Twitter** feed to complement its ongoing public education and outreach efforts about the judicial branch of government and access to justice.

The California Courts [YouTube Channel](#) will offer news and information videos covering areas from self-help and local court news to courthouse construction projects and actions and activities of the Judicial Council of California—the policy making body for California’s courts.

Those following the California Courts [Twitter](#) feed will receive “tweets” on topics including the announcement of Supreme Court opinions, news releases, and updates on new content and resources posted to the [California Courts Web site](#).

“The judicial branch is committed to access to justice and government transparency serves that commitment,” says William C. Vickrey, Administrative Director of the Courts. “These tools enable us to provide information in the formats the public expects and relies on. They complement work we are already undertaking with technology and online services. People are already watching 2 billion videos a day on YouTube, and Twitter can be accessed through more than 50,000 third-party Internet and mobile applications. The AOC’s adoption of these new Web tools will expand the public’s access to news, knowledge sharing tools, and educational resources about the California judicial branch, and enable users to choose how they receive information about the third branch of government.”

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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.