



FAMILY AND JUVENILE LAW ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING WITH CLOSED SESSION

April 8, 2024
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Virtual

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Tari L. Cody (Acting Chair), Hon. Charles F. Adams, Hon. Sue Alexander (Ret.), Hon. Craig E. Arthur, Hon. Bunmi O. Awoniyi, Hon. Brett Bianco, Hon. Brooke A. Blecher, Ms. Risé A. Donlon, Hon. Ana L. España, Hon. Katherine Fogarty, Hon. Suzanne Gazzaniga, Hon. Jennifer L. Giuliani, Ms. Julia Hanagan, Mx. Cory Hernandez, Ms. Diane Iglesias, Ms. Selis Koker, Mr. Joseph Koller, Hon. Mary Kreber Varipapa, Mr. Jonathan Laba, Ms. Sharon M. Lawrence, Hon. Frank J. Menetrez, Hon. Laura H. Miller, Mr. Joe Navarro, Ms. Melissa J. Poulos, Mr. Brian J. Richart, Hon. Lawrence P. Riff, Hon. B. Scott Thomsen, Ms. Susan Thrall, Hon. Rubén A. Villalobos, and Hon. Monica F. Wiley.

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Stephanie Hulsey (Chair), Ms. Mary Majich Davis, Hon. Susan M. Gill, Ms. Leslie Heimov, Ms. Rose Klein, and Ms. Sherry Peterson.

Others Present: Ms. Sage BlackOwl, Mr. Tony Cheng, Ms. Charli Depner, Ms. Audrey Fancy, Ms. Diana Glick, Ms. Jessica Henderson, Ms. Tracy Kenny, Ms. Stephanie Lacambra, Ms. Jamie Lau, Ms. Anna Maves, Ms. Kelly Meehleib, Hon. Cheri Pham, Ms. Brandie Pilapil, Ms. Marci Reichbach, Ms. Melissa Rodgers, Ms. Gabrielle Selden, Ms. Christy Simons, Ms. Marymichael Smrdeli, Ms. Marina Soto, Ms. Ella Miles-Urdan.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and took roll call.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the January 8, 2024, Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee meeting.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1–2)

Item 1

Child Support: AB 1058 Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program Funding for Fiscal Year 2024–25

Presenter: Anna Maves, Principle Managing Attorney, Center for Families, Children, and the Courts, Judicial Council of California

This report details the program allocation of funding for the Assembly Bill 1058 Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program for fiscal year 2024–25. The funds are

provided through a cooperative agreement between the California Department of Child Support Services and the Judicial Council, which requires the council to annually approve the Assembly Bill 1058 Program funding allocations. The committee is therefore asked to review the draft report and make recommendations on funding allocations discussed in the report.

Action:

The committee decided to recommend approval of the proposal after a voice vote with no objection.

Item 2

Juvenile Law: FY 2024-25 Recommended Funding Methodology for the \$500,000 Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Local Assistance Funding Augmentation

Presenter: Kelly Meehleib, Supervising Analyst, Center for Families, Children, and the Courts, Judicial Council of California

The committee reviewed and considered proposed recommendations for an ongoing funding methodology for the \$500,000 CASA Local Assistance funding augmentation to be effective beginning FY 2024-25.

Action:

The committee decided to recommend approval of the finding methodology after a voice vote with no objection.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further open meeting business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

C L O S E D S E S S I O N

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes closed portion of the March 4 and 11, 2024, Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee meeting.

Item 1

Legislative Review

Presenter: Tracy Kenny

Staff reviewed upcoming DV and family law bills for the 2024-2025 legislative cycle that bear on family and juvenile law issues.

Adjourned closed session at 5:29 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on April 29, 2024.