October 12, 2017

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Re: Report on Purchase or Lease of Electronic Recording Equipment by Superior Courts (January 1–June 30, 2017), as required by Government Code section 69958

Dear Ms. Boyer-Vine, Mr. Alvarez, and Mr. Wilson:

The Judicial Council respectfully submits this report, as required by Government Code section 69958, to provide information to the Legislature regarding superior court purchases and leases of electronic recording equipment during the period of January 1, 2017, through June 30, 2017. As required by statute, for each purchase or lease of equipment, the report specifies the name of the court, the types of proceedings for which the equipment will be used, the cost of the equipment, and the types of equipment purchased or leased.

Government Code section 69957 requires the courts to obtain advance approval from the Judicial Council before purchasing or leasing any electronic recording technology or equipment. Approval for purchase or lease of the equipment is subject to the equipment being used only in the
manner and for the purposes authorized under that section. All 58 Superior Courts were surveyed regarding their purchase or lease of the equipment to ensure that all purchases were made with the required authorization. During the January 1, through June 30, 2017, reporting period, one court purchased electronic equipment or related items for use in court proceedings.

The Superior Court of San Joaquin County spent $167,323 to purchase the CourtSmart Digital Audio Recording System for 28 courtrooms. When applicable, recording equipment is used to monitor the performance of subordinate judicial officers and temporary judges.

The total amount spent by the courts on the purchase of electronic recording equipment during the reporting period was $167,323.

If you have any questions related to this report, please contact Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Director, Judicial Council Budget Services, at 916-263-1397.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Martin Hoshino
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Statutory citation: Government Code section 69958

Date of report: October 12, 2017

The Judicial Council has submitted a report to the Legislature in accordance with Government Code section 69958, which requires the Judicial Council to report purchases or leases of electronic recording equipment by the superior courts.

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The full report is available at www.courts.ca.gov/7466.htm. A printed copy of the report may be obtained by calling 415-865-7966.
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