

Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

February 16, 2023 12:15-1:15 p.m. Via Zoom

Advisory Body Hon. Kevin Brazile, Hon. Victor Rodriguez, Morgan Baxter, Hon.

Members Present: Manuel Covarrubias, Hon. Mark Cullers, Hon. Judith K. Dulcich,

> Ana Maria Garcia, Hon. Amy K. Guerra, Janet Hudec, Hon. Clare Keithley, Hon. Victoria Kolakowski, Nina Magno, Hon. Lia Martin,

Lawrence Meyer, Kemi Mustapha, Michael Powell, Hon. Terry

Truong, Twila White.

Advisory Body Hon. Sue Alexander (Ret.), Hon. Mary Greenwood, Hon. Sunil R. **Members Absent:**

Kulkarni, Hon. Richard Y. Lee, Shirley Luo, Hon. Elizabeth Macias,

Julie Paik, Andrea Pella, Fariba R. Soroosh.

Others Present: Hon. Louis Mauro, Hon. Monica Wiley, Greg Tanaka, Cristina

Resendiz-Johnson, Robert Wiseman, Amanda Morris, Lisa Chavez,

Douglas Denton, Aviva Simon.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body approved the open session minutes of the October 20, 2022, Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness meeting. Motion to approve by Lawrence Meyer and seconded by Judge Victoria Kolakowski. The motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1-3)

Item 1

Welcome to the New Lead Staff and New Committee Members (No Action Required)

Presenters: Hon. Victor A. Rodriguez, Associate Justice of the Court of Appeal, First Appellate District, Division Three and Hon. Kevin C. Brazile, Judge of the Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, and Co-chairs of the Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness

Judge Brazile introduced the new PAF lead staff/counsel, Cristina Resendiz-Johnson. Justice Victor Rodriguez introduced the two new PAF committee members, Nina Magno and Kemi Mustapha.

Item 2

Highlights from the December 2, 2022, Judicial Council Meeting and Presentation on the 2021 Judicial Diversity Summit Recommendations (No Action Required)

Presenter: Hon. Kevin C. Brazile, Judge of the Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, and Cochair of the Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness

Judge Brazile gave the committee a recap of the December 2, 2022, Judicial Council meeting where he and Justice Rodriguez presented the 2021 Judicial Diversity Summit Recommendations. The council accepted the report and approved all the recommendations. Judge Brazile summarized the next ongoing actions and efforts to implement the Summit recommendations.

Item 3

Update on the 2023 Annual Agenda (No Action Required)

Presenters: Ms. Cristina Resendiz-Johnson, Attorney, Center for Families, Children & the Courts and Ms. Lisa Chavez, Supervising Analyst, Center for Families, Children & the Courts Cristina updated the committee on the status of the 2023 PAF Annual Agenda draft. It should be finalized and approved for posting by March 2023. Cristina gave a recap of the 5 ongoing projects. Lisa then gave a summary of the new implementation project, titled Public Outreach for the Online California Courts Self-Help Guide.

Item 4

2023 Judicial Council Advisory Body Nominations (No Action Required)

Presenter: Hon. Victor A. Rodriguez, Associate Justice of the Court of Appeal, First Appellate District, Division Three and Co-chair of the Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness

Justice Rodriguez informed the committee that the Advisory Body nomination period is open. Members whose terms end this September were contacted by Cristina via email. The online submission link was provided to everyone. Judge Kolakowski asked if all members could have their information sent to them individually. Cristina confirmed she would do so via email.

I. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on April 20, 2023.