

Tribal Court–State Court Forum:

Cross-Jurisdictional Collaboration to Improve
Safety, Outcomes and Access to Justice



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San Francisco, California**

Agenda

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023

9:00–9:30 a.m. Registration and Sign-In

9:30–10:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

- Co-chair Welcome
- Introductions
- Approval of Minutes of August 10, 2023
- Public Comment
- Co-chair Update

Hon. Abby Abinanti, Co-Chair, Chief Judge of the Yurok Tribal Court

*Hon. Joyce Hinrichs, Co-Chair, Judge of the Superior Court of California,
County of Humboldt*

10:30–11:30 a.m. VAWEP Updates

- Legislative Update
- Update from the Department of Justice Office of Native American Affairs
- Update on procedures for recognition and enforcement of tribal court restraining orders
- Update and demo of the final version of the CSEC harm reduction bench cards

Vida Castaneda, Senior Court Services Analyst, Judicial Council of California

*Hon. Lawrence C. King, Chief Judge of the Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Tribal Court*

*Merri Lopez-Keifer, (Luiseno) Director, Office of Native American Affairs, Office
of Attorney General Rob Bonta*

*Hon. Christine Williams (Yurok), Chief Judge of the Wilton Rancheria Tribal
Court*

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Indian Child Welfare Act Updates

- Post *Brackeen v. Haaland*
- Pending California Supreme Court Cases on inquiry
- Pending legislation: Assembly Bill 81
- Tribal Dependency Representation Program
- Office of Tribal Affairs Updates and initiatives

*Hon. Ana L. España, Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of San
Diego*

*Ms. Stephanie Weldon, (Yurok) Director, Office of Tribal Affairs, California
Department of Social Services, Sacramento California*

- 12:30–1:30 p.m. **Working Lunch** (*Redwood Room*): Strategies to Improve Cross-Jurisdictional Understanding and Collaboration addressing the Opioid Crisis.
- 1:30–2:30 p.m. Data: Data Analytics Advisory Committee Updates
- Data on tribal affiliation
- Hon. Joyce Hinrichs*
- 2:30–3:30 p.m. Recognition and Enforcement of Tribal Court Orders
- Juvenile Dependency and Delinquency
 - Child Custody Orders
 - Traffic
 - Domestic Violence
 - Trespass
- Hon. Richard C. Blake, (Hoopa) Chief Judge of Redding Rancheria and Hoopa Valley Tribal Courts*
Hon. Alison M. Tucher, Presiding Justice of the Court of Appeal, First Appellate District, Division Three
- 3:30–4:30 p.m. Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts and Joint Jurisdiction Courts
- Where are they?
 - What do they look like?
 - What have been the barriers and challenges to getting them up and running?
 - How do we support their expansion and development?
- Hon. Abby Abinanti*
Hon. Lawrence C. King
Hon. Devon Lomayesva, (Iipay Nation of Santa Ysabel) Chief Judge of the Intertribal Court of Southern California
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

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