JUDICIAL COUNCIL MEETING March 10, 1999 Long Beach, California 10:30 a.m. – 2:05 p.m.

AGENDA

10:30 – 10:35 a.m. **Approval of Minutes of February 9, 1999**

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10:35 – 10:40 a.m. **Judicial Council Committee Presentations**

Executive and Planning Committee Hon. Richard D. Huffman, Chair

Policy Coordination and Liaison Committee

Hon. Marvin R. Baxter, Chair Rules and Projects Committee Hon. Brenda Harbin-Forte, Chair [Council Committee Reports Tab]

Consent Agenda (Tab No. 1)

(If you wish to request that any item be moved from the Consent or Information Agenda to the Discussion Agenda, please notify Jessica Fiske Bailey at 415-396-9177 at least 48 hours before the meeting.)

Item 1 Conflict of Interest Code (Action Required)

Staff: Ms. Lyn Hinegardner

Staff recommends adopting a revised conflict of interest code to include the Habeas Corpus Resource Center and the Task Force on Trial Court Employees.

Discussion Agenda (Tab Nos. 2-5)

Item 2

10:40 – 11:00 a.m.

Reassessment of Trial Court Coordination Level of Progress in Requesting Counties and Trial Court Coordination Plan Format for Fiscal Years 1999–2001 (Action Required)

The Trial Court Coordination Advisory Committee recommends approving several counties' assessments of progress to recognize advancements in coordination. Additionally, the committee recommends approving a format for nonunified courts to use in submitting coordination plans for fiscal year 1999–2000.

Presentation: 10 minutes

Speaker: Hon. Edward Webster, Chair

Staff: Ms. Fran Jurcso

Discussion/Council Action: 10 minutes

Item 3

11:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Drug Court Advisory Committee (Action Required)

The Oversight Committee for the California Drug Court Project, a Judicial Council task force, recommends establishing a Judicial Council Drug Court Advisory Committee.

Presentation: 15 minutes

Speaker: Hon. Patrick Morris, Chair

Staff: Ms. Fran Jurcso

Discussion/Council Action: 30 minutes

11:45 – 12:25 p.m. **Lunch**

Item 4

12:25 – 1:25 p.m.

Allocations for Remaining Fiscal Year 1998–1999 Funding and for the Trial Court Improvement Fund (Action Required)

The Trial Court Budget Commission recommends allocating the remaining fiscal year funding to (1) correct fiscal year 1996—1997 underreporting errors, (2) address fiscal year 1998—1999 court-appointed counsel deficiencies (workload growth), and (3) address fiscal year 1998—1999 court interpreter deficiencies (rate increases). The commission makes other allocation recommendations to address the adverse impact of the delayed implementation of the State's Department of Finance Maintenance of Effort adjustments to trial court base budgets and relating to the Trial Court Improvement Fund.

Presentation: 20 minutes

Speaker: Hon. Ray Hart, Chair

Staff: Ms. Kiri Torre

Discussion/Council Action: 40 minutes

Item 5

1:25 – 1:55 p.m.

Appellate Process Task Force Interim Report (No Action Required)

The Appellate Process Task Force reports on its progress to date examining the manner in which appellate courts function and evaluating possible changes in court organizational structures, work flows, and technology to enhance the efficiency of the appellate process.

Presentation: 15 minutes

Speaker: Hon. Gary E. Strankman, Chair

Staff: Mr. Joshua Weinstein

Discussion: 15 minutes

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