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FACT SHEET

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California Courts Protective Order Registry

The California Courts Protective Order Registry (CCPOR), currently deployed to 46 counties and 14 tribal courts, is a statewide restraining order system that provides more complete, accessible information to judicial officers, court personnel, and law enforcement. By promoting victim safety and perpetrator accountability, CCPOR supports the California judicial branch's strategic plan Goal IV, Quality of Justice and Service to the Public.

Project History

The CCPOR program resulted from a recommendation to the Judicial Council submitted by the Domestic Violence Practice and Procedure Task Force to provide a statewide protective order registry. The registry contains up-to-date information, including order images, that is readily available to judges and law enforcement in the participating counties. In February 2008, the Judicial Council approved the recommendation and the CCPOR program was initiated by the Judicial Council Information Technology Services Office.

The Domestic Violence Practice and Procedure Task Force also sought to enhance and improve court access to the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS), an information system managed by the California Department of Justice. As the largest statewide database of protective orders, CLETS is essential for safeguarding both victims of violence and law enforcement officers in the field. Current law requires that all protective orders be entered into CLETS within one business day of issuance. One important goal of CCPOR is to ensure timely and accurate entry of these important orders into the CLETS system.

Goals of CCPOR

To address the task force recommendations, CCPOR has three primary goals:

- Provide the trial courts in all 58 California counties access to CCPOR, enhancing the capability of bench officers to make more informed decisions and avoid issuing conflicting orders;
- Improve public safety and the safety of law enforcement officers by providing access to full text (images), and accurate, complete, and up-to-date order information; and
- Automate exchange of information between the courts and CLETS.

Two key components of CCPOR are the ability to enter and upload protective order data into the system and to search and retrieve that data, including electronic images of court orders. Viewing these electronic images is particularly valuable because this allows users to view special conditions and notes added by judges that may not be available through CLETS. Once information has been entered into CCPOR, it can be automatically transmitted to CLETS.

Key Features

CCPOR provides the capability to:

- View order data and images at California superior courts;
- Access data and order images 24/7 through a secure web-based interface;
- Search orders by name, case number, and other criteria;
- Facilitate protective order sharing between courts;
- Automate submission to the California Restraining and Protective Order System (CARPOS) through CLETS; and
- Provide shared access to law enforcement agencies.

Orders that will be captured in the registry include:

- Civil Harassment Restraining Orders
- Criminal Protective Orders
- Domestic Violence Restraining Orders
- Elder Abuse Restraining Orders
- Emergency Protective Orders
- Gun Violence Restraining Orders

- Juvenile Restraining Orders
- Other Protective Orders
- Civil Protective Orders from Canada that are registered in California
- Out-of-State Domestic Violence Restraining Orders that are registered in California
- School Violence Prevention Orders
- Workplace Violence Orders

Use of Enterprise Technology

Design, development, and deployment of CCPOR was accelerated by reusing key technologies, including the Integrated Services Backbone (ISB), and the existing connection to CLETS. Taking advantage of these tools and systems reduces costs, improves service delivery, and provides better management and administration of the system.

Development & Deployment Timeline

September 2008-June 2010: Design and development of initial system.

April-December 2010: On-board 19 counties: Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Humboldt, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Lake, Marin, Placer, Plumas, Riverside, San Benito, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Ventura.

April-June 2011: On-board Butte County.

April 2011-Current: Tribal Court Access - Hoopa Valley, Northern California Intertribal Court System (serving the following tribes: Cahto Tribe of the Lafayette Rancheria, Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians, Hopland Band of Pomo Indians, and Manchester Point arena Band of Pomo Indians) Shingle Springs Rancheria, Quechan, Washoe, Yurok, and Smith River Rancheria Tribal Courts.

September 2012-June 2013: On-board 12 new counties: Merced, Lassen, Tehama, Mendocino, Glenn, Sutter, Solano, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Imperial, Yuba, and Del Norte.

April 2014-December 2014; With CA DOJ Grant funding: On-board a minimum of 8 new counties, San Francisco, Napa, Madera, Nevada, Sierra, Trinity, Shasta, and Modoc Superior Courts and their Justice Partners.

January 2015-June 2015; With CA DOJ Grant funding: On-board 3 new counties, Monterey, Sonoma, and Mariposa Superior Courts and their Justice Partners.

December 2015-January 72016; Implemented new Gun Violence Protective Order forms and associated logic.

August 2017-September 2018; With VOCA grant funding: On-board 4 new counties, Mono, Alpine, and Yolo Superior Courts and their Justice Partners.

2022 and Future -

Modernize CCPOR, including moving CCPOR into cloud hosting and incorporating new user administration and identity management capabilities.

Connect CCPOR with court's records systems, eliminating the need for duplicate entry.

On-board remaining courts.

Project Awards

Winner - 2011 Best of California Award Best Application Serving an Agency's Business Needs Center for Digital Government

Winner - 2011 National Digital Government Achievement Award Government-to-government Category

Center for Digital Government

Finalist - 2011 Recognition Awards for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Information Technology in State Government

Data Information and Knowledge Management

National Association of State Chief Information Officers

Additional resources:

Guidelines and Recommended Practices for Improving the Administration of Justice in Domestic Violence Cases: Final Report of the Domestic Violence Practice and Procedure Task Force, www.courts.ca.gov/xbcr/cc/dvpp_rec_guidelines.pdf