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**COURT FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE:
SUBCOMMITTEE ON COURTHOUSE NAMES**

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

August 10, 2015

12:30 PM –12:45 PM

Judicial Council of California, Malcolm M. Lucas Board Room, San Francisco

Advisory Body Hon. Keith D. Davis, Chair
Members Present: Hon. Donald Cole Byrd
Mr. Anthony P. Capozzi (by phone)
Hon. Jeffrey W. Johnson
Hon. Gary R. Orozco
Hon. David Edwin Power (by phone)
Mr. Thomas J. Warwick, Jr.

Advisory Body None
Members Absent:

Others Present: The following Judicial Council staff/others were present:
Hon. Alan V. Pineschi, Presiding Judge, Superior Court of Placer County (by phone)
Mr. Jake Chatters, Court Executive Officer, Superior Court of Placer County (by phone)
Ms. Donna Ignacio, Capital Program
Mr. Chris Magnusson, Capital Program

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM, and made introductions.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Item 1

Naming Request for the Existing, Unnamed Courthouse in Roseville

Mr. Chris Magnusson presented the request from the Superior Court of California, County of Placer, indicating that the Superior Court of Placer County's existing courthouse in the City of Roseville lies in the Bill Santucci Justice Center, which is a complex containing three buildings: the existing courthouse, the jail, and the building that houses the offices of the probation department and the district attorney. He indicated that although the justice center has been named after former Mayor of Roseville and Board of Supervisor Member, Bill Santucci, none of its buildings have been officially named to date; and therefore, the superior court requests that the existing courthouse be named after the Hon. Howard G. Gibson—a former

member of their bench who passed away in 1986. He stated that local community support has been expressed for the request by the City of Roseville as well as by Placer County's Office of the Sheriff, Bar Association, Board of Supervisors, and District Attorney. He stated staff's position is that the request meets the criteria of the Judicial Council's *Courthouse Naming Policy*, and indicated that per the policy, naming requests involving the name of a person require the subcommittee first make a recommendation to its full advisory committee, before the full advisory committee can recommend the Judicial Council take final action.

Hon. Alan V. Pineschi, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Placer County, indicated that Judge Gibson had been very well respected and a World War II veteran. He stated that the judge had been in private practice in Roseville prior to becoming a Justice Court judge for the majority of his career there and then a Superior Court judge for the last several years. He noted that the judge had been friends with Bill Santucci and that they had grown up together in Roseville. He also indicated he had reached out to the Santucci family, speaking with a surviving relative of Bill Santucci, in order to explain the naming request, to which there was no objection.

Mr. Thomas J. Warwick, Jr. inquired whether or not there had been any opposition to the request from any member of/group in the community. Judge Pineschi responded that there has been none, stating he had spoken directly with each member of the Roseville City Council and Placer County Board of Supervisors as well as with Placer County's Sheriff, District Attorney, and President of the Bar Association. He also indicated that since the County of Placer had constructed the courthouse in 2008, no persons have come forward with any suggestions for its name.

Action: The subcommittee—with the exception of Hon. David Edwin Power, as an Ex-Officio, non-voting member—voted unanimously on the following motion:

1. Recommend the full Court Facilities Advisory Committee approve the request for naming the existing, unnamed courthouse in the Bill Santucci Justice Center in the City of Roseville as the *Howard G. Gibson Courthouse*.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.

Approved by the subcommittee on September 16, 2015.