JUDICIAL COUNCIL TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF ACTION BY EMAIL BETWEEN MEETINGS MARCH 7, 2016

Email Proposal

The Judicial Council Technology Committee (JCTC) was asked to approve that the proposed amendments to rules of court be circulated for public comment. At its February 22, 2016 meeting, the Information Technology Advisory Committee recommended two rules proposals be presented to the Judicial Council to implement legislation enacted in 2015. They are joint proposals with the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee that were circulated for public comment during the winter 2016 cycle. One is a rules and form proposal implementing AB 879, which authorized electronic notice of hearings in juvenile dependency cases. The other is a rules proposal implementing AB 1519, which modified the retention and destruction requirements for signatures by local child support agencies on electronically filed pleadings. Due to the limited availability of JCTC members and the body's other priorities, the JCTC did not have time to consider this request at a meeting in a timely manner. Accordingly, the Chair concluded that prompt action by email was necessary.

Notice

On March 1, 20156 a notice was posted advising that the JCTC was proposing to act by email between meetings under California Rules of Court, rule 10.75(o)(1)(B).

Public Comment

Because the email proposal concerned a subject that otherwise must be discussed in an open meeting, the JCTC invited public comment on the proposal under rule 10.75(o)(2). The public comment period began at 4:00 p.m, Tuesday, March 1, 2016 and ended at 8:00 a.m., Friday, March 4, 2016. No comments were received.

Action Taken

After the public comment period ended, JCTC members were asked to submit their votes on the proposal by 11:00 a.m. on March 7, 2016. Eight members voted to approve; one member did not vote. The email proposal was approved.