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Judicial Council to Consider Emergency Funding Request by SF Superior Court

Public Meeting on Friday, September 9, in San Francisco

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San Francisco - The Judicial Council of California will hold a public business meeting from 10:30 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. on Friday, September 9, 2011, to consider an emergency funding request by the Superior Court of San Francisco. In a separate matter, two independent reports will be made on the California Court Case Management System. The meeting will be held in the Judicial Council Conference Center, Hiram J. Smith State Office Building, Third Floor, 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco.

Chaired by Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye, the council is the administrative policymaking body of California courts. A live audiocast of the meeting will be available on the California Courts Web site at <http://www.courts.ca.gov/3044.htm>. The agenda is posted at <http://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/age20110909.pdf>.

The reports, which will be posted online later this week, are summarized below:

Deficiency Funding Request: The council will consider various options to address a deficiency funding request by the Superior Court of San Francisco. The court has submitted a request for one-time emergency funding, to be used to offset budget reductions allocated to the court. Funds are available from a portion of the Trial Court Improvement Fund that is statutorily reserved and available for allocation to the 58 state trial courts for urgent needs.

Court Technology: Two independent reviews of the California Court Case Management System (CCMS) will be presented to Judicial Council members. The reports are the Independent CCMS Code Quality Review, which is a quality assessment of the code used to develop the CCMS software. The second is the Standard CMMI (Capabilities Maturities Model Institute) Appraisal Method for Process Improvement (SCAMPI) evaluation. This is a review of the processes used by the vendor to determine if the vendor was adhering to industry best practices for

software development.

The Judicial Council is the policymaking body of the California courts, the largest court system in the nation. Under the leadership of the Chief Justice and in accordance with the California Constitution, the council is responsible for ensuring the consistent, independent, impartial, and accessible administration of justice. The Administrative Office of the Courts carries out the official actions of the council and ensures leadership and excellence in court administration.

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