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TRIAL COURT PRESIDING JUDGES ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING WITH CLOSED SESSIONS

October 22, 2014  
12:45- 2:15 p.m.

**Executive  
Committee  
Advisory Body  
Members Present:**

Hon. Marla Anderson, Hon. Brian Back, Hon. Mark Cope, Hon. David Danielsen,  
Hon. John Garaventa, Hon. Gregory Gaul, Hon. Lloyd Hicks, Hon. Robert Hight,  
Hon. Cynthia Lee, Hon. Kristen Lucena, Hon. Brian McCabe, Hon. Glenda Sanders,  
Hon. Marsha Slough, Hon. Brian Walsh, and Hon. David Wesley.

**Executive  
Committee  
Advisory Body  
Members Absent:**

Hon. Barry Goode and Hon. Winifred Younge Smith.

**Others Advisory  
Committee  
Members Present:**

Hon. Kevin Culhane, Hon. Kenneth Gnos, Hon. Lesley Holland, Hon. John  
Kennelly, Hon. Carolyn Kuhl, and Hon. Rise Pichon.

**Others Present:**

Ms. Deirdre Benedict, Ms. Deborah Brown, Mr. Curt Child, Mr. Martin Hoshino,  
Mr. Cory Jaspersen, Ms. Andi Liebenbaum, Ms. Jody Patel, Ms. Pam Reynolds,  
Ms. Marlene Smith, Mr. Curt Soderlund, and Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1-3)

Item 1

**2015 Annual Agenda Review**

Review and discuss the draft 2015 TCPJAC Annual Agenda

Judge Slough reported on the draft 2015 TCPJAC Annual Agenda. The agenda will be submitted to the Judicial Council's Executive & Planning Committee (E&P) in December 2014 for approval and E&P will receive the report on behalf of the council.

The annual agenda addresses committee key objectives and projects for the 2015 calendar year. This is a preliminary version and the full committee will have an opportunity to review and make changes at the January 2015 statewide meeting.

**Action:** *TCPJAC members made two suggestions that were incorporated into the draft:*

*Project #5 "Strengthen Role of Presiding Judges in Legislative Outreach" - include "...Outreach To Executive Branch, including Department of Finance."*

***Project #3 “Encourage Cost Savings and Greater Efficiencies for the Trial Courts” in the End Product/Outcome of Activity – add in that the working group is inviting Judicial Council recognition of an efficient and effective program. “***

***Judge Slough asked TCPJAC members to send any comments on the annual agenda to staff by Friday, November 14.***

**Item 2**

**(Closed pursuant to Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.75 (d)(10) [topic that judicial officers may not discuss in public without risking a violation of the California Code of Judicial Ethics, necessitating recusal, or encouraging disqualification motions or peremptory challenges against them, including proposed legislation, rules, forms, standards of judicial administration, or jury instructions].)**

Consider joint proposal of the Trial Court Presiding Judges Advisory Committee (TCPJAC) and the Court Executive Advisory Committee (CEAC) to amend:

- Rule 10.473. Minimum Education Requirements for Trial Court Executive Officers
- Rule 10.630. Reporting of Reciprocal Assignment Orders
- Rule 10.742(c). Judicial Administration - Use of Attorneys as Court-Appointed Temporary Judges

**Item 3 (Closed pursuant to Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.75 (d)(3), (d)(10) [Negotiations concerning a contract, a labor issue, or legislation; topics posing risk of ethics violation, necessitating recusal, or encouraging disqualification motions or peremptory challenges].)**

Consider TCPJAC proposal to amend:

- Rule 10.703. Subordinate judicial officers: complaints and notice requirements.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Approved by the advisory body on January 30, 2015.