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The Judicial Branch: Protecting Access to Justice as the COVID-19 State of Emergency Expires

A Joint Informational Hearing of the Senate Committees on Judiciary and Public Safety

March 7, 2023 9 a.m. 1021 O. St., Room 2100

AGENDA

Opening Statements

- Senator Tom Umberg, Chair of Senate Committee on Judiciary
- Senator Aisha Wahab, Chair of Senate Committee on Public Safety
- Senator Scott Wilk, Vice Chair of Senate Committee on Judiciary
- Senator Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh, Vice Chair of Senate Committee on Public Safety

Panel 1: Overview - The Status of Court Operations as the COVID-19 State of Emergency Expires

 Hon. Marla O. Anderson, Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey; Chair, Judicial Council Legislation Committee

Panel 2: Civil Remote Proceedings

- Hon. Marla O. Anderson, Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey; Chair, Judicial Council Legislation Committee
- John Cotter, President, California Defense Counsel
- Greg Rizio, President, Consumer Attorneys of California
- Janet Hudoc, Vice President, California Federation of Interpreters
- Michelle Caldwell, Board Member, California Court Reporters Association; member, SEIU Local 521
- Leigh Ferrin, Program Director, OneJustice

Panel 3: Criminal Remote Proceedings: Counsel Perspective

- Ricardo Garcia, Los Angeles County Chief Public Defender, California Public Defenders Association
- Michael Fermin, Chief Assistant District Attorney, San Bernardino County
- Stephen Munkelt, Director, California Attorneys for Criminal Justice (CACJ)

Panel 4: Criminal Remote Proceedings: Court Operations

- Hon. Maria Lucy Armendariz, Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
- Hon. Lawrence G. Brown, Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento
- Cory Salzillo, Legislative Director, California State Sheriffs' Association

Panel 5: Court Reporter Availability

- Shelley Curran, Chief Policy and Research Officer, Judicial Council of California
- Stacy Gaskill, Court Reporter, San Mateo Superior Court; member, SEIU Local 521
- Jennafer Wagner, Director of Programs, Family Violence Appellate Project
- Stephanie Leslie, President-elect, California Deposition Reporters Association; CEO, Regal Court Reporting
- Yvonne Fenner, Executive Officer, Court Reporters Board

Public Comment

Closing Statements