

Superior Court of the County of Monterey

This document contains the court's responses to the questions we included in a survey regarding the services that the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) indicates providing to the courts. Our survey asked each of the trial courts, the courts of appeal, and the Supreme Court to indicate which services that each court has used. In addition, our survey asked each court to indicate whether or not it values each service. Other questions in the survey asked about the quality of the services that AOC provides and the importance of the services to the court's operations.

After the courts responded to our survey, we identified, in consultation with the AOC, eight services in our survey that do not apply to the trial courts. We excluded these eight services from the analyses that support the survey-related tables and figures that appear in our audit report.

Finally, for a copy of the survey instrument please follow this [link](#).

Q3: Access Services

1. Self-Help legal, training, program, education support	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
3. Self-Help Center, Family Law Information Centers, Model Self-Projects Funding	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
5. Judicial Branch Self-Help Website and resources	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
6. On-line Document Assembly/Forms Completion Programs	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
7. American with Disabilities Act subject matter expertise provided in response to individual court requests for assistance with resolving a specific ADA issue, and ADA training specialized for individual trial courts	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
9. Plain language forms and instructions	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q4: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label) Good

Q5: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Very Important

Q6: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label) Much more important

Additional Comments

Continued budget reductions and the lack of fund balance make reliance on services provided by the Judicial Council staff increasingly vital.

Q7: Audit Services

11. Regular financial, operational, and compliance audits	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
13. Non-audit consultative reviews	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
14. Technical advice regarding audit, accounting compliance, and operational requirements	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
15. Whistleblower Hotline responsibility	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q8: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label) Good

Q9: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Very Important

Q10: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label) Much more important

Additional Comments

Courts do not have sufficient staff to fully investigate and handle these types of issues internally.

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Q11: Capital Projects and Facilities Services

16. Fiscal management, oversight and accountability functions for the judicial branch capital outlay program including cash flow projections for various construction funds	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
17. Site selection, due diligence and negotiation of acquisition agreements for capital projects and staff services to Project Advisory Groups comprised of court and justice partner stakeholders	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
19. Creation, management and implementation of related procedures reflecting best practices for new courthouse design and construction	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
21. Selection of capital building systems and equipment based on life-cycle analysis of long-term costs	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

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22. Development and implementation of risk management for capital projects and court facilities	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
23. Development and implementation of property and commercial insurance programs for judicial branch entities, and as requested assistance with their property and liability insurance needs	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
24. Oversight of the design and installation of audio-visual low voltage technical infrastructure in court facilities, and development of statewide standards for use of video over the technical infrastructure	Have used this service
25. Subject matter expertise on health and safety issues and technical assistance relating to fire prevention	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
26. Operations and maintenance of court facilities which includes physical, financial, and contractual management and delivery of routine operations and maintenance services, and provision of utilities and insurance	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
27. Management of 24/7 call center for maintenance of branch facilities	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
28. Monitoring of ongoing compliance with state and local environmental regulations which pertain to the operational life of a facility	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
29. Negotiation and administration of AOC and court-funded leases, licenses, and other occupancy, and renegotiation of leases to generate space reduction and rent savings	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
30. Management of disposition for facilities no longer needed for court operations and facilities permanently and temporarily closed by court due to fiscal constraints	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
31. Provision of deferred maintenance and functional improvements	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
32. Development, implementation, and management of the preventive maintenance program for assets	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
34. Management of Facilities Event Licensing for third party use of court facilities	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
36. Maintenance and administration of the Computer Aided Facility Management (CAFM) System to dispatch Service Work Order requests and authorize lease payments	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
37. Sustainability program to manage utility resource demands, implementing energy conservation modifications to reduce long-term energy costs	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q12: Delivery of professional project management and related services for capital projects, including:

38. Architectural and engineering design services	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
39. Environmental analyses of potential courthouse construction sites	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
40. Construction inspection services program for capital projects, facility modification, and facility management programs	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
41. Functional and space planning and programming	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
42. Approval by authorities having jurisdiction	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
43. Sustainable design and design approval	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
44. Construction execution delivery including commissioning services	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
45. Completion and occupancy and transition planning	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
46. Preparation for and administration of all internal and external State (Judicial, Executive, and Legislative) and other approvals	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q13: Establishment and implementation of policies for the judicial branch capital program, including:

48. Prioritization Methodology	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
49. Trial Court Facilities Standards	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
50. Site Selection and Acquisition	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
51. Contracting	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q14: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label) Good

Q15: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Very Important

Q16: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

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Q17: Collaborative Courts Services

55. Legal, training, and program assistance to support Dependency and Juvenile Drug Courts

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

57. Legal, training, and program assistance to support Adult and Juvenile Justice Drug Courts

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

60. Legal, training, and program assistance to support Mental Health Courts: Adults and Dependency and Juvenile Justice

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

65. Substance Abuse Focus Grants funding

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

66. Research and analysis assistance

Have used this service

Q18: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Good

Q19: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Very Important

Q20: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

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Q21: Communications Services

68. Communications support to the Chief Justice in her Supreme Court, Judicial Council, Judicial Branch, and Commission on Judicial Appointments roles	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
69. Coordination of Judicial Council Meeting communications activities, including the drafting and dissemination of pre- and post-meeting summaries to the judicial branch, drafting of leadership remarks, coordination of photography, video, and audio requirements, and web updates and tweets to promote the meeting	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
70. Research, drafting and distribution of the weekly email briefing (Court News Update) on judicial administration and related topics, and urgent updates and briefings as requested (Court News Alerts, Court News Briefs) to the judicial branch	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
72. Communications strategy, consulting, and implementation to Judicial Branch Capital Program and the Office of Real Estate and Facilities Management Program and their Judicial Council oversight committees—the Court Facilities Advisory Committee and the Trial Court Facility Modification Advisory Committee	Have used this service
73. Management and content updates on the California Courts, Serranus, and AOC Intranet websites for programs, projects, and initiatives	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
74. Consultation and counsel on media strategies for programs, projects, and initiatives	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
75. Research and response to inquiries from the courts, media, and the public, as well as tracking and reporting on interactions	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
76. Input on strategy for news releases, drafting and dissemination and monitoring and reporting on coverage	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
78. Photography support for judicial council and judicial branch programs, projects, and initiatives	Have used this service

Q22: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label) Good

Q23: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Very Important

Q24: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Somewhat more important

Additional Comments

In order to draft and prepare our own talking points, we need to have information from the JC so that our messages will align in purpose if not content.

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Q25: Criminal Justice Services

79. Technical assistance, training, legal advice, and subject matter expertise on criminal justice realignment including data collection, analysis, and information dissemination

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

80. Written and oral legal advice provided to individual trial courts on a case-by-case basis on a wide array of criminal law and procedure issues, including new statutory requirements and responsibilities

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

81. Resource identification and liaison activities with outside justice partners (which include sheriffs, probation departments, District Attorneys, public defenders, county supervisors, the legislature, the Governor's office, the Department of Finance, CDCR, and the Department of Justice) on criminal justice realignment implementation

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

84. Subject matter expertise, legal advice, and technical assistance with issues relating to traffic related matters

Have used this service

86. Legal advice and technical assistance with emerging statewide issues related to criminal law and procedures (e.g., implementation of pretrial programs, Affordable Care Act, and prohibited and armed persons with mental illness reporting requirements)

Have used this service

Q26: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Good

Q27: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Somewhat Important

Q28: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

PAGE 11: Section 3: Evaluation**Q29: Education and Training Services**

88. Judicial ethics training as required for participants in the Commission on Judicial Performance Insurance Program	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
89. Institute for Court Management certification program for court managers	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
90. Court Clerk Training Institute	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
91. Court manager and supervisor training	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
92. ADA Annual Statewide Training and consulting for ADA coordinators	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
93. Statewide broadcasts for Trial and Appellate Court judicial officers, CEOs and court staff	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
94. Statewide and regional education (i.e., Beyond the Bench)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
95. Development of customized training for the courts (e.g., judicial education, management training, cultural competency training)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
96. Collaborative statewide, regional, and distance education and multi-disciplinary programs with state and national partners	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
97. Training on use of the Computer Aided Facility Management (CAFM) application for requesting, monitoring, and evaluating building services	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
98. Development of online educational resources for judges, court staff, supervisors and managers	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
100. Judicial publications: Benchguides, Bench Handbooks, Benchbooks, Civil Proceedings Benchbooks	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
101. Development of online benchtools for judges to use, including scripts, flow charts and checklists	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

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102. Development of public guides for children in court, victims' services, and court proceedings for families	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
103. Job Aids for court staff, supervisors, and managers	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
104. Web Ex programmatic instructional support	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
105. Faculty development program, webinars and online resources to prepare and support statewide and local court faculty	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
106. Meeting planning, registration and conference services for all education programs, Judicial Council meetings and other AOC meetings	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
107. Audio visual support for education and meetings in conference centers, off-site education and outreach, including audio for public broadcast of Judicial Council	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
108. Jury education materials in support of successful jury participation	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q30: Statewide training for new Judicial Officers, including:

109. New Judge Orientation	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
110. Primary Assignment Orientations (civil, criminal, probate, dependency, delinquency, family)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
111. B.E. Witkin Judicial College	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q31: Statewide education for experienced Judicial Officers and Judicial Attorneys, including:

113. Criminal Assignment Courses	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
114. Qualifying Ethics Training	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
115. Complex Civil and Advanced Civil	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
116. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
117. Domestic Violence courses	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
118. Institutes (in civil, criminal, juvenile, family, probate, and rural courts)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
119. Institutes for Appellate and Trial Court Attorneys	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q32: Statewide Education for Judicial Leaders, including:

120. PJ/CEO Court Management Program	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
121. Supervising Judges Institute	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q33: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label) Excellent

Q34: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Very Important

Q35: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label) Much more important

Q36: Family Services

122. AB 1058 Legal, Program Support and Funding and Administration for Child Support Commissioners and Family Law Facilitators	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
124. Information and technical assistance to Family Courts	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
126. Family Law websites (including Families Change and Parent Orientation video) content, maintenance and administration	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
127. Family Dispute Resolution support, technical assistance, and education	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
128. Domestic Violence Courts	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q37: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label) Excellent

Q38: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Very Important

Q39: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label) Much more important

Q40: Fiscal Services

132. Budgeting	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
133. Centralized Treasury	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
134. Payroll and controller services	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
135. Master contracts/procurement assistance	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
136. Financial Management - accounting and reporting	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
137. Accounts Payable support	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
138. Trust Accounting support	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
139. Financial policies and procedures	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
140. Fiscal training and assistance	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
141. Grants Administration	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
142. Enhanced Collections guidelines and assistance for courts and counties	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
143. Provision and maintenance of financial information available through the judicial branch website	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q41: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label) Good

Q42: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Very Important

Q43: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

Additional Comments

Statewide services should expand master agreements for courts to initialize. This gives courts greater consolidated buying power, centralizes the work and effort placed in contracting for services used by multiple courts and reduces the redundancies of effort. Would like more ongoing SAP / Fiscal training. Would also like to see enhanced Grant Management services as historically, there are notable delays in grant timelines - delays in notification when opportunities are available and also delays in being provided with the funding authority when a grant is approved, giving the court little time to spend down the funds when eventually allocated.

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Q44: Human Resources Services

144. Labor relations and collective bargaining services	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
145. Employee relations/investigations/progressive discipline/leave management	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
146. Judicial payroll and benefits	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
147. Pay and benefits management and administration for employees	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
148. Trial court payroll services through Phoenix or ADP	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
149. Recruitment, classification and compensation assistance	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
150. Judicial Branch Workers' Compensation program oversight and administration	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
151. Integrated Disability Management	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q45: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Excellent

Q46: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Very Important

Q47: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

Additional Comments

Court size does not have staff to provide these services.

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Q48: Information Technology Services

153. Judicial Branch Statistical Information System (JBSIS)

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

154. Phoenix Financial, procurement and HR/Payroll System

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

155. Computer- Aided Facilities Management System (CAFM)

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

156. Uniform Civil Fees System (UCFS)

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

159. California Courts Technology Center (CCTC) including disaster and security services and data integration services

Have used this service

160. Network hosting, security, and support

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

161. Technology hardware updates program

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

162. Case management systems support: Sustain, V2, V3

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

163. Support to California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS)

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

164. Development and maintenance of the judicial branch public website, Serranus, and other judicial branch websites

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q49: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Good

Q50: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Very Important

Q51: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

No Change

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Q52: Juvenile Services

167. Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program administration, funding and education

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

168. Local Blue Ribbon Commissions training and technical assistance

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

169. Court appointed dependency counsel funding, budgeting, and program management

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

173. Judicial Resources and Technical Assistance Program for dependency cases

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

174. Information and technical assistance to juvenile courts

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

175. Technical assistance with juvenile court management system data and analytics

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

177. California Dependency Online Guide (CalDog)

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q53: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Good

Q54: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Very Important

Q55: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

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Q56: Language Services

179. Court interpreter test administration, development, and maintenance oversight	Have used this service
182. Statewide Language Coordination	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
184. Court Interpreter Database Collection System (CIDCS)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
185. Certified and Registered Master List Maintenance of Court Interpreters	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
186. Cross-Assignment of Court Interpreter Employees	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
188. Management of technology to assist in the use of American Sign Language and master contract for telephonic interpreting services	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q57: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)	Excellent
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Q58: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)	Very Important
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Q59: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)	Much more important
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Q60: Legal Services

189. Legal support with claims including investigations and responses	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
190. Management of labor-related matters (such as Public Employment Relations Board hearings and arbitrations)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
192. Litigation management, including selection and direction of outside counsel to defend courts, judicial officers, court employees, and council members	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
193. Legal advice and guidance to courts and education of court staff regarding evolving law affecting employment and labor issues	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
194. Legal advice and consultation on a broad spectrum of judicial administration matters	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
195. Legal advice and consultation on transactional business issues, including real estate transactions, solicitations, contracting and the procurement of goods and services, and Court/County MOUs	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
197. Assistance with responding to subpoenas and disqualification statements	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
198. New and amended Local Court rules review and assistance with requests for alternative effective dates	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
199. Assistance with evaluation of need for and preparing requests for emergency orders	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
201. Provision of legal support for acquisition, financing, construction, renovation, operation, and maintenance of court facilities	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
202. Management of the Commission on Judicial Performance Insurance Program	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q61: Subject matter expertise and technical assistance with issues, including:

205. Alternative Dispute Resolution	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
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Q62: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)	Excellent
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Q63: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)	Very Important
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Q64: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

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Q65: Legislative and Budget Advocacy Services

215. Advocacy for Judicial Council positions on pending legislation and technical assistance to legislators, staff, and justice partners, on court-related legislative issues

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

216. Expertise and assistance with strategy, advice, and recommendations on judicial branch budget discussions

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

217. Tracking of statutory mandates on the Judicial Council to adopt rules, forms, and reports to the legislature

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

218. Liaison and strategic advice assistance on facilities issues, court construction and maintenance

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

219. Coordination of legislative information and investigatory hearings that impact branch programs and projects

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

220. Staff support to the Bench-Bar Coalition

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q66: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Excellent

Q67: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Very Important

Q68: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

Additional Comments

The OGA's current approach of seeking trial court impacts is greatly appreciated and has made the department increasingly valuable. We would like to continue to see consistency, proactive approach and greater expertise in program areas of the Court. We appreciate the budget advocacy and highly depend on the OGA talking points to further advocate on a local and state level.

Q69: Mandated Reporting

222. Semi-Annual Report on Contracts for the Judicial Branch	Have used this service
223. Trial Court Interpreters Program Expenditure Report	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
224. Court Reporter Fees Collected & Expenditures for Court Reporter Services in Superior Court Civil Proceedings	Have used this service
225. Demographics of the Bench	Have used this service
226. Sentencing of Criminal Defendants by Race and Ethnicity	Have used this service
227. Judgeship Needs in the Superior Courts	Have used this service
228. Standards and Measures of Judicial Administration	Have used this service
229. Annual Special Funds Expenditure Report	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
230. Annual Trial Court Allocations Report	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
231. Phoenix System Status Update Report	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
232. Purchase and Lease of Electronic Recording Equipment	Have used this service
233. Trial Court Revenue, Expenditure, and Fund Balance Constraints	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
239. 5-Year Language Use and Needs Study	Have used this service
240. Criminal Justice Realignment Data	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q70: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label) Good

Q71: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Somewhat Important

Q72: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

No Change

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Q73: Operations Support Services

243. Assigned Judges Program	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
245. Preparation and distribution of Oral Argument Calendar, Summary of Cases Accepted, Conference List, and Notice of Forthcoming Filings for Supreme Court	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
250. Vexatious Litigants List administration	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
251. Jury improvements in support of initiatives that enhance the utilization of jurors and the jury process	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
253. Trial Court Business Processing Reengineering expertise and training	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
254. Consultative services, technical and complex analytical assistance for court administration and operational matters	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
257. Information-sharing through meetings of court leaders	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q74: Analytical and administrative support to:

259. Presiding Judges	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
261. Trial Court Presiding Judge Advisory Committee	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
262. California Court Clerk Association	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
264. Court Executives Advisory Committee	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q75: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Excellent

Q76: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Very Important

Q77: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Somewhat more important

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Q78: Research and Data Services

265. Annual Court Statistics Report	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
266. Judicial Branch Statistical Information System technical assistance, maintenance and reporting	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
267. Workload-based Allocation Funding Methodology research support	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
268. Judge and staff workload measures and analysis	Have used this service
269. Authorized and filled judgeships data and reporting	Have used this service
271. Technical support to evaluate staffing or judicial officer allocations against workload model projections	Have used this service
272. Responses to requests for branch data from internal users, members of the public, researchers, and law firms	Have used this service
273. Data review and reporting	Have used this service
274. Production of the annual Jury Data Report	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q79: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Good

Q80: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Somewhat Important

Q81: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

Additional Comments

WAFM important, others need to be re-vamped.

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Q82: Security Services

277. Emergency planning and preparedness/continuity of operations planning

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

278. Physical security consultation, assessment, site surveys and risk analysis

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

279. Screening Equipment Replacement Program

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

280. Trial Court Security Grant Program

Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable

Q83: Please select the rating that best reflects the overall quality of service that you have received for this group of services. If you have not used any of the above services, please select the "no opinion" option.

(no label)

Good

Q84: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label)

Very Important

Q85: Have cuts to your budget made this group of services, overall, more important or less important to your operations?

(no label)

Much more important

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Q86: Were you aware that the AOC provides to the trial courts all of the services included in this survey?

No

Q87: Are there any services that the AOC does not provide that you believe would be useful to the trial courts?

Yes

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Q88: Please list any additional services, not currently offered by the AOC, that you believe would be useful to the trial courts.

- More statewide master service agreements to consolidate the efforts for contracting in one central area to the benefit of all 58 courts state-wide
- Statewide compensation and class studies and an annual analysis
- Statewide benefits program
- Judicial Court security training at local court
- Formal online or manual updated with services provided by Judicial Council staff and how to best use them as well as contact information.

Q89: So that we can better understand the extent to which trial courts are currently obtaining support services from entities other than the AOC, please tell us: do you contract with other courts, or have any other working relationships with other courts, in order to receive services? No

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Q90: Please list all of the services that you receive through a contract, or other working relationship, with another court(s): *Respondent skipped this question*

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Q91: The following is an alphabetized list of all AOC offices. Please evaluate the services that each office provides according to their overall importance to the operations of your court.

Center for Families, Children & the Courts	Very Important
Center for Judiciary Education and Research	Very Important
Court Operations Special Services Office	Unaware of this office
Criminal Justice Court Services Office	Very Important
Executive Office	Very Important
Fiscal Services Office	Very Important
Human Resources Services Office	Very Important
Information Technology Services Office	Somewhat Important
Internal Audit Services	Very Important
Judicial Branch Capital Program Office	Very Important
Judicial Council Support Services	Very Important
Legal Services Office	Very Important
Office of Administrative Services	Somewhat Important
Office of Appellate Court Services	Unaware of this office
Office of Communications	Very Important
Office of Governmental Affairs	Very Important
Office of Real Estate and Facilities Management	Very Important
Special Projects Office	Unaware of this office
Trial Court Administrative Services Office	Very Important
Trial Court Liaison Office	Unaware of this office

Q92: Additional Comments

Just a brief comment generally about the format of this survey and the challenge of providing an overall rating of the value of each department - it seems that it would have been more effective, although time consuming to rate each line item/service as opposed to providing an 'overall' assessment. We found that within each department there were some services we highly valued and some we either were unaware of or were of lesser value, which resulted in how to assess an overall rating without devaluing the highly rated items and without overrating those of lesser value.

We are certain that our approach would not necessarily mirror the approach of the other courts responding, thereby the survey results will be altered overall due to these differences in handling the overall assessment.