

Superior Court of the County of Mariposa

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.

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

(no label) Neutral

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

(no label) No Change

Additional Comments

Plain language forms and instructions are too complex for self represented litigants, particularly in family law.

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Q7: Audit Services

11. Regular financial, operational, and compliance audits

Have used this service

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) Fair

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

(no label) Unimportant

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

(no label) Somewhat less important

Additional Comments

#11. Duplicative of State Bureau of Audit's responsibility.

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Q11: Capital Projects and Facilities Services

29. Negotiation and administration of AOC and courtfunded leases, licenses, and other occupancy, and renegotiation of leases to generate space reduction and rent savings Have used this service

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

Respondent skipped this auestion

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

Respondent skipped this question

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)

Fair

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

(no label)

Somewhat Unimportant

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

(no label)

Somewhat less important

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Q17: Collaborative Courts Services

Respondent skipped this auestion

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)

No Opinion

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

(no label)

Unimportant

Q20: 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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Q21: Communications Services

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

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

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

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) Fair

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

(no label) Neutral

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

(no label) No Change

Additional Comments

#69. The information is not timely provided for appropriate review and consideration.

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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

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) Satisfactory

Q27: How important, overall, is	this group of services to your trial court operations?
(no label)	Neutral
Q28: Have cuts to your budget to your operations?	made this group of services, overall, more important or less important

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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
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
96. Collaborative statewide, regional, and distance education and multi-disciplinary programs with state and national partners	Have used this service
98. Development of online educational resources for judges, court staff, supervisors and managers	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
99. Technical support and video production for Supreme Court outreach and oral argument, Commission of Judicial Appointments hearings, Chief Justice or judicial argument, Commission of Judicial Appointments hearings, Chief Justice or Judicial Council communications, and provision of AV signals to rooms for the public and media	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
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
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

(no label)	No Change
Q35: Have cuts to your budget made this group of set to your operations?	ervices, overall, more important or less important
Q34: How important, overall, is this group of services (no label)	s to your trial court operations? Neutral
(no label)	Satisfactory
Q33: Please select the rating that best reflects the over for this group of services. If you have not used any opinion" option.	
120. PJ/CEO Court Management Program	Have used this service
Q32: Statewide Education for Judicial Leaders, inclu	ding:
118. Institutes (in civil, criminal, juvenile, family, probate, and rural courts)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
117. Domestic Violence courses	Have used this service
116. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
114. Qualifying Ethics Training	Have used this service
113. Criminal Assignment Courses	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
Q31: Statewide education for experienced Judicial O	officers and Judicial Attorneys, including:
111. B.E. Witkin Judicial College	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
109. New Judge Orientation	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
Q30: Statewide training for new Judicial Officers, inc	, admigi

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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

130. Violence Against Women Education Program

Have used this service

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) Fair

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

(no label) Somewhat Unimportant

Q39: 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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Q40: Fiscal Services	
133. Centralized Treasury	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
135. Master contracts/procurement assistance	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
136. Financial Management - accounting and reporting	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
137. Accounts Payable support	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
139. Financial policies and procedures	Have used this service
140. Fiscal training and assistance	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
141. Grants Administration	Have used this service
142. Enhanced Collections guidelines and assistance for courts and counties	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
143. Provision and maintenance of financial information available through the judicial branch website	Have used this service

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) Fair

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

(no label) Neutral

Q43: 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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Q44: Human Resources Services	
144. Labor relations and collective bargaining services	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
146. Judicial payroll and benefits	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
Q45: Please select the rating that best reflects the over	erall quality of service that you have received
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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
159. California Courts Technology Center (CCTC) including disaster and security services and data integration services	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
166. Programmatic, technical and logistical support for WebEx programs	Have used this service
Q49: Please select the rating that best reflects the over for this group of services. If you have not used any opinion" option.	
(no label)	Satisfactory
Q50: How important, overall, is this group of services	s to your trial court operations?
(no label)	Neutral
Q51: Have cuts to your budget made this group of se to your operations?	rvices, overall, more important or less important
(no label)	No Change
Additional Comments #162. Only certain courts receive this support; all other or	ourte must now for their own CMS support

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Q52: Juvenile Services	
167. Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program administration, funding and education	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
168. Local Blue Ribbon Commissions training and technical assistance	Have used this service
169. Court appointed dependency counsel funding, budgeting, and program management	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
171. Juvenile Dependency Counsel Collections Programs	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
172. Psychotropic Medication Orders program	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
177. California Dependency Online Guide (CalDog)	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
Q53: Please select the rating that best reflects the of for this group of services. If you have not used any opinion" option.	
(no label)	Satisfactory
Q54: How important, overall, is this group of service	es to your trial court operations?
(no label)	Somewhat Important
Q55: Have cuts to your budget made this group of sto your operations?	services, overall, more important or less important
(no label)	Somewhat more important

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Q56: Language Services	
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
187. Translations of forms, Web site, signage and other resources	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) Satisfactory

Q58: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Somewhat Important

Q59: 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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Q60: Legal Services	
189. Legal support with claims including investigations and responses	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
192. Litigation management, including selection and direction of outside counsel to defend courts, judicial officers, court employees, and council members	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
193. Legal advice and guidance to courts and education of court staff regarding evolving law affecting employment and labor issues	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
194. Legal advice and consultation on a broad spectrum of judicial administration matters	Have used this service
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
202. Management of the Commission on Judicial Performance Insurance Program	Consider service to be valuable, Have used this service
Q61: Subject matter expertise and technical assistance	ce with issues, including:
210. Judicial administration	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
Q62: Please select the rating that best reflects the over for this group of services. If you have not used any or opinion" option.	
(no label)	Satisfactory

Q63: How important, overall, is this group of services to your trial court operations?

(no label) Somewhat Important

Q64: 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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Q65: Legislative and Budget Advocacy Services Respondent skipped this

question

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) No Opinion

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

(no label) Unimportant

Q68: 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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Q69: Mandated Reporting

235. Statewide Collections of Court-Ordered Debt Have used this service

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) Fair

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

(no label) Neutral

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	
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243. Assigned Judges Program	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
250. Vexatious Litigants List administration	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
Q74: Analytical and administrative support to:	
259. Presiding Judges	Have used this service
261. Trial Court Presiding Judge Advisory Committee	Have used this service
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 or for this group of services. If you have not used any opinion" option.	
(no label)	Fair
Q76: How important, overall, is this group of service	es to your trial court operations?
(no label)	Neutral
Q77: Have cuts to your budget made this group of s to your operations?	ervices, overall, more important or less important
(no label)	No Change

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AOC cites budget restraints prevent this.

Additional Comments

#261. Full committee should make recommendations to Judicial Council, not the Executive Committee.

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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
272. Responses to requests for branch data from internal users, members of the public, researchers, and law firms	Have used this service, Consider service to be valuable
274. Production of the annual Jury Data Report	Have used this service
Q79: Please select the rating that best reflects the over for this group of services. If you have not used any opinion" option.	
(no label)	Satisfactory
Q80: How important, overall, is this group of service	s to your trial court operations?
(no label)	Neutral
Q81: Have cuts to your budget made this group of set to your operations?	ervices, overall, more important or less important
(no label)	No Change

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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
Q83: Please select the rating that best reflects the over for this group of services. If you have not used any opinion" option.	erall quality of service that you have received

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

(no label)

Somewhat Important

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

to your operations?

(no label) Somewhat 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?

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

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courts?

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

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?

Yes

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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):

Riverside Procurement.

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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

Somewhat Unimportant

Center for Judiciary Education and Research Neutral

Court Operations Special Services Office Somewhat Unimportant

Criminal Justice Court Services Office Unimportant

Executive Office Somewhat Unimportant

Fiscal Services Office Neutral

Human Resources Services Office Somewhat Important

Information Technology Services Office Neutral

Internal Audit Services Unimportant

Judicial Branch Capital Program Office Unimportant

Judicial Council Support Services Somewhat Unimportant

Legal Services Office Neutral

Office of Administrative Services Neutral

Office of Appellate Court Services Unimportant

Office of Communications Unimportant

Office of Governmental Affairs Somewhat Unimportant

Office of Real Estate and Facilities Management Unimportant

Special Projects Office Unimportant

Trial Court Administrative Services Office Neutral

Trial Court Liaison Office Unimportant

Q92: Additional Comments Respondent skipped this

question