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**Judicial Council Approves  
Orange County Superior Court's Data Analytics Policy  
for Statewide Use**

**Santa Ana, CA** — The Judicial Council of California recently approved the new data and information management procedures created by the Orange County Superior Court aiming to improve the judicial branch's uses of data and information to guide decisions on expanding and improving court operations and services.

"The Orange County Superior Court has shown time-and-time again that we are willing to take on the most difficult of challenges and provide solutions that are becoming the model for others to follow," said Hon. Erick L. Larsh, Orange County Superior Court Presiding Judge. "In the past year, Orange County Superior Court has been recognized as a national leader in navigating the administration of justice during a pandemic, a national leader in jury service administration, and a national leader in technological solutions."

This Orange County Superior Court project was originally funded by a State Court Innovations Grant.

"Trial courts are the incubators of change," said Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye in a recent statement regarding the project. "Orange County received a grant and turned it into something that changes the branch and sets an example nationally."

Judicial Council members were briefed during their May 21, 2021, meeting on the project that over the past year met the overwhelming need for data in order to determine the impact of the pandemic on court operations and services, such as the:

- Number of courts holding remote proceedings and in which case types
- Number of litigants accessing self-help centers (in-person and remotely)
- Increase in the backlog of filings and dispositions

For more information click [here](#) to read the relevant report to the Judicial Council and [here](#) for a recently published paper by the National Center for State Courts.

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