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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**  
**JUDICIAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**2-3-26**

*DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, February 3rd 2025 at  
9:06 p.m.*

Meeting to be held virtually

*CHIEF JUSTICE ADAMS*

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## **AGENDA**

### **Call to Order and Roll Call**

No. of Judicial Council Members: **9**

Quorum: **7**

Chief Justice: Nikki Adams - *Present*

Associate Chief Justice: Kira Granito - *Present*

Associate Justice: Sowmya Kumar - *Present*

Associate Justice: Lily Lishan - *Present*

Associate Justice: Aleen Summan - *Present*

Associate Justice: Heart Alene Tabusares- *Present*

Associate Justice: Angel Martinez - *Present*

Associate Justice: Mahe Yusuf - *Present*

Associate Justice: Sebastian Rios - *Present*

*With 9 members present, the Judicial Council meets quorum.*

*Associate Justice Sebastian Rios, recently appointed following Senate Meeting 2-2-2026, was confirmed as a voting member for purposes of quorum and voting.*

### **1. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*The Land Acknowledgement was read by Chief Justice Adams. The item was opened and closed at 9:06 p.m.*

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **INFORMATION ONLY**

*Opened: 9:06 p.m*

*Chief Justice Adams reviewed public comment procedures and limitations.*

*No members of the public came forward to speak.*

*Closed: 9:07pm*

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

*Request is made for approval of minutes of from September 26, 2025*

*Opened: 9:07pm*

*Minutes from the September 26, 2025 Judicial Council meetings were presented for approval*

*Chief Justice Adams clarifies that Justice other than herself must motion to approve the minutes.*

*Attorney General Rejas clarifies that the minutes are published to the website.*

*Chief Justice Adams clarifies the council is approving minutes from 09.26.25 meeting, minutes will be added in supplemental materials,*

*Associate Justice Sowmya Kumar motions to approve meeting minutes*

*Associate Justice Mahe Yusuf seconds the motion*

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*Minutes of September 26, 2025 are approved*

*Closed: 9:10pm*

#### **4. ADMINISTRATION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

##### **A. Discussion and Approval of Judicial Council Operating Policy**

*Opened: 9:10 p.m*

*Chief Justice Adams shared her screen to review proposed edits to the Judicial Council Operating Policy*

*Chief Justice Adams reminded the council to raise their virtual hands and state their names for the record prior to speaking.*

*Associate Justice Rios inquired about outdated dates in the document*

*Chief Justice Adams confirmed the dates should be updated*

*Attorney General Rejas advised leaving the “Presented to Senate” date blank until Senate presentation*

*Associate Justice Summan noted a date error (“2025”), which was acknowledged and subsequently corrected.*

*Chief Justice Adams explained proposed edits redefining “Most Senior Associate Justice.”*

*Discussion followed regarding how seniority should be determined*

*Associate Justice Yusuf expressed concern that attendance and outreach hours were subjective and suggested quantifiable standards*

*Associate Justice Lishan proposed seniority be based on length of service within CSUN*

*Associate Justice Rios supposed quantifiable criteria and discussed potential edge cases*

*Associate Justice Yusuf suggested using UNLV credit hours as an objective measure*

*Consensus formed around defining seniority by UNLV recognized credit hours completed. language was clarified and edited in real time.*

*Chief Justice Adams identified a conflict between the bylaws and operating policy regarding clerkship responsibilities.*

*Associate Justice Rios suggested adding clarifying language explaining the purpose of monthly meetings with the Senate President Pro Tempore.*

*Associate Justice Martinez asked whether such meetings would count toward outreach hours.*

*Chief Justice Adams stated outreach hour credit would be at the discretion of the Chief Justice. It was later discovered the provision already existed elsewhere in the document, and the redundant section was deleted.*

*Discussion centered on language stating the Associate Chief Justice shall “set up and supervise” council sponsored events.*

*Associate Justice Lishan raised concerns about exclusivity.*

*Associate Justice Rios suggested permissive language.*

*The Council agreed to revised language stating that the Associate Chief Justice may design events alongside other Justices but must supervise the process.*

*Chief Justice Adams proposed adding documentation outlining excused versus unexcused absences*

*Associate Justice Rios suggested requiring that all members be informed of such documentation.*

*No objections were raised.*

*Associate Justice Lishan requested overlapping liaison duties between the Chief Justice and Attorney General*

*Attorney General Rejas explained that both roles are mandated by governing documents (Constitution and Bylaws) and cannot be altered via operating policy.*

*No changes were made.*

*Chief Justice Adams proposed adding explicit language prohibiting ex parte communication regarding cases.*

*Discussion followed including enforcement mechanisms (referral to Internal Affairs), scope of “merits” of a case, applicability to internal and external communications.*

*Final agreed language prohibited any communication with any individual, internal or external, outside of deliberations regarding any matter of a case.*

*Chief Justice Adams proposed requiring attendance at CSUN capstone presentations unless excused*

*Associate Justice Rios suggested clarifying that excused absences are determined by the Chief Justice.*

*The clarification was accepted.*

*After concluding discussion, Chief Justice Adams requested a motion to approve the Judicial Council Operating Policy.*

*Associate Justice Kumar moved to approve.*

*Associate Justice Lishan seconded the motion*

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*The Judicial Council Operating Policy was approved.*

*Closed: 9:57 p.m*

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

*Opened: 9:57 p.m.*

*Public comment was opened following policy approval.*

*Closed: 9:57 p.m.*

#### **5. ADJOURN**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 p.m by Chief Justice Adams.*