

National Conference of Metropolitan Courts
2010 Conference Agenda and Educational Program
“Leadership and Optimizing Resources for a Leaner Tomorrow”

Unless otherwise noted, all sessions will be conducted at the
Stanley Mosk Courthouse, 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Wednesday, October 20

- 12Noon to 1:30 pm** **NCMC Board of Directors Meeting (NCMC hosted luncheon meeting)**
By invitation only
Site: Stanley Mosk Courthouse, Room 522
- 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm** **Optional Court Tours of L.A. Superior Court Programs (select one)**
Meet at Stanley Mosk Courthouse; tour transportation provided
Tour registration: email swirby@lasuperiorcourt.org by noon, Oct. 15
- High Security Criminal Courts, Clara Shortridge Foltz Criminal Justice Center
 - Self-Help Center, Stanley Mosk Courthouse
 - Children’s Court, Edmund D. Edelman Children’s Court Center
- 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm** **Welcome Reception – Lexis/Nexis (host)**
Hon. Antonio Villaraigosa, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
Hon. Rufus King III, Senior Judge, Superior Court, District of Columbia
Chairman of the Board
Hon. Charles “Tim” McCoy, Presiding Judge, Superior Court, Los Angeles County
President
Site: The Palm Restaurant, GiGi Room and Reception Area
 1100 South Flower Street
 Los Angeles, CA 90015
- 7:00 pm** **Dinner on Your Own**

Thursday, October 21

- 8:00 am to 9:00 am** **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
Site: Stanley Mosk Courthouse, Seminar Room
- 9:00 am to 9:30 am** **Opening Remarks and Conference Overview**
Hon. Charles “Tim” McCoy, President, NCMC
John “Jack” Clarke, Executive Officer, Superior Court, Los Angeles County
- 9:30 am to 10:30 am** **The Big Economic Picture for Metro Courts**
Facilitator: Dr. John Hudzik, Michigan State University
What do you know about the long-run fiscal conditions of your court? How do you obtain that knowledge? What information do you need to make long range plans? How do you stay informed about your financial environment? What information is available? How do you get it? What “political spin” is placed on information from various sources?
- 10:30 am to 10:45 am** **Break**

10:45 am to 12Noon	<p>The Big Economic Picture for Metro Courts (cont'd) <i>Facilitator: Dr. John Hudzik, Michigan State University</i> Do specific issues and real-life incidents experienced by the attendees correlate with academic findings, data, and recommendations? What do chief judges and court executives encounter “on the ground?”</p>
12Noon to 1:30 pm	<p>Group Lunch (hosted by NCMC) Site: Kendall’s Brasserie at the LA Music Center</p>
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm	<p>Politics of the Budgetary Process <i>Facilitator: Dr. Roger Hartley, Western Carolina University</i> How do you develop effective relationships with your funders? What are the best roles and tactics for the chief judge and court executive? What performance measures should funders use in assessing metro courts? What do court leaders need to know about how funders make decisions about budgets?</p>
3:00 pm to 3:15 pm	<p>Break</p>
3:15 pm to 4:30 pm	<p>The Art and Science of Judicial Formation in Today’s World <i>Facilitator: Noreen L. Sharp, ESQ, O.P.</i> In good times and bad, trial court leaders are duty bound to help new judges overcome the everyday difficulties they encounter in order to excel in their new profession. How do we do so and leave a legacy of service and mission driven jurists? Can we prevent the urgent (shrinking resources) from driving out the important (better judges)? Ms. Sharp has successfully helped the leadership at the Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County (Phoenix) do so. Her insights and experiences offer helpful advice to us.</p>
4:30 pm to 5:00 pm	<p>Chartered Transportation from Courthouse to City Hall (Transportation to Hotels and Restaurants will be provided from City Hall)</p>
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm	<p>Special Reception – Los Angeles Bar Association (host) Site: Los Angeles City Hall, Tom Bradley Tower Room, 27th Floor 200 North Spring Street, Temple and Main Streets Los Angeles, CA 90012</p>
7:00 pm	<p>Dinner on Your Own</p>

Friday, October 22

8:00 am to 9:00 am	<p>Continental Breakfast Site: Stanley Mosk Courthouse, Seminar Room</p>
9:00 am to 10:15 am	<p>Rationing of Court Services <i>Facilitator: Laura Klaversma, National Center for State Courts</i> How do you manage your operations with reduced funding and resources? Are there effective ways metro courts have reduced services? What do you do when backlogs are so bad that they constitute a de facto denial of services?</p>
10:15 am to 10:30 am	<p>Break</p>

10:30 am to 12Noon

Thinking and Acting Strategically during a Budget Crisis

Facilitators: Hon. Charles "Tim" McCoy; Jack Clarke

What are the necessary leadership tools for chief judges and court executives to possess in dealing with fiscal uncertainty? How do you motivate and keep your bench informed about relevant organization issues? As "first among equals," how do you lead your bench through tough times?

12Noon to 1:30 pm

Group Lunch (hosted by NCMC)

Site: Walt Disney Concert Hall, Founders Room
135 North Grand Avenue (one block from Courthouse)

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Problem-Solving Courts and Budget Cuts

Facilitator: Gordy Griller, National Conference of Metropolitan Courts

Specialty courts, focused on medical and diagnostic approaches to adjudicating cases involving addictions, family violence, and social/psychological/community problems, are often vulnerable to funding cuts due to their costs. Yet, research indicates they reduce substance abuse, recidivism, crime, and victimization more than traditional methods. How should court leaders respond?

2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Optional Guided Tour of Walt Disney Concert Hall

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

NCMC Board Meeting

Site: Stanley Mosk Courthouse, Seminar Room

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

NCMC Closing Dinner

(No host bar)

Site: Claret Room, Flemings LA Live
800 West Olympic Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90015

Saturday, October 23

8:00 am to 10:30 am

Optional Discussion and Continental Breakfast (hosted by NCMC)

Focus: NCMC Future Conferences, Topics, and Initiatives

Site: The Farm of Beverly Hills
800 West Olympic Boulevard
Downtown Los Angeles
(213) 747-4555
1.5 miles SW of courthouse at S. Figueroa St. and W. Olympic Blvd.



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2011 Annual Meeting and Educational Conference
Ninth Circuit Court of Florida for Orange and Osceola Counties
October 19 - 21, 2011
Orange County Courthouse, 425 North Orange Avenue
Orlando, Florida