

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Judicial Council of California
2860 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 400
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Project Title: Judicial Learning Center

Project Location – Specific: Earl Warren and Hiram W. Johnson State Building (Ronald M. George state Office Complex)

Project Location – City: San Francisco

Project Location – County: San Francisco

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project includes construction of a Judicial Learning Center in a now unused portion of 4th floor law library in the Hiram W. Johnson State Office Building to educate the public about the judicial system and its importance in society using innovative and thought-provoking approaches and to provide informative and interpretive exhibits. The project will construct exhibit space, video presentation space, a mock courtroom, classrooms with partitions, storage room(s) and a A/V room. Works includes demolition of existing doors, glazing, walls, finishes, ceiling, electrical, lighting, limited HVAC, and shelving within the approx. 7,000sf area. Then workers will construct new walls, acoustical ceiling, doors and doorways, floors, install new electrical systems, A/V systems, lighting, data lines, furniture, misc. equipment, and limited HVAC throughout the project area. Additional work will install acoustical sound barrier elements in approx. 4 window alcoves to reduce the noise from the mock courtroom in the adjacent offices of the Historical Earl Warren Building.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Judicial Council of California

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Tom Schanberger, DGS Project Director

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial (§ 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§ 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§ 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- Statutory Exemption [Click here to enter text.](#)
- Categorical Exemption Class 1a Section 15301

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

This exemption allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, and minor alterations to existing public facilities involving negligible expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. All work within or on the Earl Warren Building will comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation so there is no effect on the historic building. The State confirms that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of an exemption for this project.

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Date Signed by Lead Agency Click or tap to enter a date. 6/6/22