



THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, County of Glenn



invites applications for the position of
Court Executive Officer
Application Deadline: October 24, 2023

About the Court

MISSION: “The Glenn County Superior Court values and strives to provide fair interpretation and enforcement of the rule of law in an effective and efficient manner, to resolve disputes peacefully, and to provide consistent and impartial remedies to maintain order within the community.”



Historic Willows Courthouse

Glenn Superior Court court has two judges that handle all case types, a part-time Child Support Commissioner, approximately 22 staff including the Court Executive Officer, and an annual budget of approximately \$4 million. The court has a strong history of partnering with other courts in the area, and currently does so in the areas of information technology, case management system support, self-help, and family law facilitator services. All other functions of the court are carried out directly by its staff

A construction project to renovate and expand the historic 1894 courthouse in Willows is nearing completion and will

consolidate all services into one location starting on November 1, 2023. The court has historically operated multiple locations in Willows and Orland. This consolidation will result in numerous efficiencies and provide a modern facility to better serve court users. It is an exciting time to join the court and help guide it into the future!

The position serves as the Court Executive Officer, Clerk of the Court, and Jury Commissioner. This is an executive level position appointed by and serving at the will of the judges and under the direction of the Presiding Judge. In conjunction with judicial leadership, this position is responsible for providing strategic direction and planning to the court. It is also responsible for overseeing all administrative and operational staff and functions of the court. Due to the close-knit nature of Glenn County, this position is a highly visible role in which the CEO provides leadership in all court-related issues of interest to the community, working collaboratively with county departments, justice partners, community organizations, and the public. The CEO also works directly with the Judicial Council, other CEOs, and staff from other courts on policy and issues that affect the Judicial Branch in California.

The CEO Position



*Rendering of
Willows Courthouse Renovation*

Specific duties include, but are not limited to, the following:

CALENDAR MANAGEMENT: Supervise and employ efficient calendar and case management system, including analyzing and evaluating pending caseloads and recommending effective calendar management strategies; monitor the effectiveness of court operations, direct operational and analytical studies; identify issues, recommend, and implement procedural and administrative changes as appropriate.

BUDGET: In consultation with the Presiding Judge, develop fiscal priorities; monitor statewide budget trends and policies; direct the administration of local court fiscal procedures and programs including general and grant accounting, financial reporting, payroll and benefits administration; employ sound budget and fiscal management ensuring annual expenditures are within the court's budget allocation and aligned with the court's vision and mission.

FACILITIES: Plan physical space needs, ensuring efficient use of and safe court facilities; in consultation with the Presiding Judge and Judicial Council staff, make decisions related to the Willows courthouse construction project, including planning for and executing the move out and closure of current temporary facilities; purchase and manage janitorial services, furniture, office equipment and supplies.

CONTRACTS: Negotiate and oversee contracts on behalf of the court in accordance with established contracting procedures, applicable laws, and Judicial Branch policies and procedures.

JURY MANAGEMENT: As the court's Jury Commissioner, manage the court's jury management system, ensuring efficient delivery of juror resources in compliance with applicable legal and procedural requirements.

PERSONNEL: Provide strategic planning and direction, ensure effective resource allocation, training and performance management practices, programs, and personnel policies and procedures; develop and maintain a professional working environment fostering a high level of morale and employee dedication to public service; recruit to attract and retain talented and qualified staff; provide for employee development; oversee and direct labor relations and negotiations.

STRATEGIC PLANNING: In consultation with the judges, develop, implement, and monitor progress toward goals and objectives to address changing needs, trends, and challenges affecting the court; recommend and implement changes to the court's organizational approaches to delivering services; monitor and implement legislative changes.

TECHNOLOGY: Develop and implement a court-wide strategic technology plan; evaluate and implement new technology, automated systems, and procedures that meet the court's operational and service delivery needs, including increased use of and improvements to the court's new case management system, Odyssey.

COURT SECURITY: In collaboration with the County Sheriff, develop and implement the court's security plan in order to provide a safe environment for judicial officers, court staff, and members of the public; oversee the provision of security services by the Sheriff's Department.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Represent the court in matters related to the media, community organizations, educational institutions, and other government agencies.

RECORDS: As the Clerk of the Court, manage uniform record-keeping systems; implement and oversee practices to ensure the accuracy of court records; provide for effective data collection and reporting on court business.

Other duties as set forth in California Rules of Court, rule 10.610.



THE COMMUNITY

Glenn County is a robust agricultural community surrounded by mountains on the west, the beautiful Sacramento river to the east, and Interstate 5 providing quick and easy access to Sacramento, just 90 miles south, or Redding, 70 miles north. The vibrant city of Chico lies just to the east of the major towns in Glenn County: Wil- lows and Orland. The County has over 1,188 farms with the major commodities including rice, honeybees, al-monds, olives, walnuts, pistachios, dairy products, and livestock. The last census population estimate was 29,245. Residents enjoy mild winters and warm, sunny summers. Glenn County offers the ideal blend of small town living, outdoor recreation, and friendly community.

Outdoor activities include boating and swimming at Black Butte Lake and Stony Gorge Reservoir, fishing on the Sacramento River, camp- ing and hiking in the Men- docino National Forest, driv- ing on Thunderhill Raceway Park, which hosts the longest automobile race in America, hunting, golfing, and visiting the 10,783 acre Sacramento Wildlife Refuge. The refuge includes about 7,600 acres of intensively managed wetlands, uplands, riparian habitat, and vernal pools, and typically sup-ports wintering popula- tions of more than 600,000 ducks and 200,000 geese.



THE IDEAL CANDIDATE

The court seeks a Court Executive Officer that is both an exceptional leader and innovative visionary with the ability to develop and maintain positive relationships. A committed, confident, and common-sense public servant with a high level of integrity represents an ideal blend of attributes for this position. The ideal CEO will be:

- An experienced court administrator with a thorough understanding of the administrative and operational functions of the court.
- An approachable and politically astute leader, with a management style that fosters trust, loyalty, respect, and commitment to the rule of law.
- In possession of effective critical thinking skills to define problems, assess alternatives, and advocate for solutions consistent with the court's goals.
- Able to demonstrate written and oral communication skills needed to influence decisions affecting the court.
- A visionary leader with outstanding skills in leading teams, motivating staff, encouraging new ideas, fostering trust, and successfully setting priorities with limited resources.
- A quick and clear thinker who is calm under pressure, tactful, and positive.
- A versatile individual effective at balancing and carrying out competing priorities.
- Knowledgeable about principles and practices of public administration, organizational structure and management, court and judicial system functions and processes, local, state, and federal laws, rules, and regulations related to court management.



MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Experience: Five (5) years of progressive administrative experience in a court, judicial branch entity, or other governmental agency, including two years of management experience.

Education: A Bachelor's Degree from an accredited university or college with major coursework in court administration, business or public administration, accounting, criminal justice, psychology, sociology or another applicable field. Additional directly related experience may be substituted for the education qualification on a year-for-year basis.

Incumbents must be able to travel regularly in Glenn County and across the state. A valid California driver's license or the ability to utilize an alternative method of transportation is required to carry out job-related essential functions.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

Salary will be set at a fixed rate between \$135,000 and \$160,000 annually depending on qualifications. The court also offers the following benefits:

- **Vacation Leave:** Vacation leave is accrued based on years of service. Annual accruals are as follows: 0-2 full years, 11 days; 3-11 full years, 16 days; 11-19 full years, 21 days; 19+ full years, 26 days.
- **Sick Leave:** Employees accrue 96 hours (12 days) of paid sick leave annually.
- **Flexible Leave:** The CEO receives 16 hours (2 days) of paid flexible leave per year.
- **Holidays:** Employees receive 13 paid scheduled holidays and one paid floating holiday per year.
- **Deferred Compensation:** The court contributes \$75 biweekly to a tax-deferred long-term savings plan, specifically a CalPERS 457 plan. Additional contributions may be elected at employee cost.
- **Retirement Health Insurance:** Retirees that have five years of service and meet other CalPERS regulations are eligible to continue using a court-provided health insurance plan and receive employer contributions toward the premium.
- **Insurance Plans:** The court makes available multiple health insurance plans, including options for employees and their dependents that are 100% employer-paid, or a cash-in-lieu benefit for opting out. The court also makes available dental and vision insurance plans that are 100% employer-paid for the employee and the option to add dependents at employee cost. The court provides a group term life insurance policy of \$75,000. Additional coverage may be elected at employee cost.
- **Retirement Pension:** Membership in the Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS). The benefit formula is determined by CalPERS regulations and is 2.5% at age 55 for classic members and 2% at age 62 for new members. Employees pay 100% of the employee contribution and the court pays 100% of the employer contribution.
- **Longevity Pay:** The court pays a 5% differential above base salary after 12 years of completed service.
- **Cell Phone Allowance:** A cell phone allowance of \$40 biweekly is available if employees use their phone for court business.

HOW TO APPLY

Completed applications, including responses to the required supplemental questions, and a cover letter and resume must be submitted online at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/glenncourt>.

Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, October 24. Application packets will be evaluated to select the best qualified candidates to continue in the selection process.

This is an at-will position, serving at the pleasure of the court. The court is an equal opportunity/ADA employer.

