APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING
CALIFORNIA LAW REVISION COMMISSION

August 17, 2026

A meeting of the California Law Revision Commission was held in Sacramento and via teleconference on August 17, 2026.

ATTENDANCE

Commission

Present Richard Simpson, Chair
Maria Bee
David A. Carrillo
Amb. (r.) David Huebner
Cara Jenkins, Legislative Counsel
Victor King, Vice-Chair

Absent Ana Cubas
Senator Eloise Gómez Reyes
Assembly Member Blanca Pacheco

Commission Staff

Sharon Reilly, Executive Director
Sarah Huchel, Chief Deputy Director
Amy Seilliere, Attorney III
Steve Cohen, Attorney
Christie House, Chief Administrative Officer
Megan Hayenga, Analyst II

Antitrust Experts

Cheryl Johnson, Consultant to the Commission

Other Attendees[1]

Wesley Brown
Aracely Campa Ramirez
Katelyn Castaneda
George Cavinta
Jason Dell'Orto
Aodhan Downey
Eric Enson
Lace Friedman
Kathleen Foote
Ben Golombek
Lee Hepner
Amy Hines-Shaikh
Mika Ikeda
Sulaiman Kenyatta

[1] Members of the public are only identified in the Minutes as attendees if they expressly consented to being identified when registering to attend via teleconference, by completing the voluntary visitor register at an in-person meeting location, or by identifying themselves during public comment.

Stephanie Kimball
Ron Knox
Gilbert Lara
Peter Leroe-Muñoz
Eric Leroy
Margie Lie
Josh Lipscomb
Mona Masri
Ben O'Brien
Brynne O'Neal
Teri Olle
Yarissa Ramirez
Dan Robbins
Kedharnath Sankararaman
Aniko Sherry
Chris Shultz
Ashonte Smith
Ibrahim Sory
Jen Suh
Jerry Swindell
Ryan Szczepanik
Doni Tadesse
Loyal Terry
Jasmine Valle
Abigail Wilson
Corinne Xu

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APPROVAL OF ACTIONS TAKEN

Unless otherwise indicated, the Commission decisions noted in these Minutes were approved by all members present at the meeting. If a member who was present at the meeting voted against a particular decision, abstained from voting, or was not present when the decision was made, that fact is noted below.

CLOSED SESSION

The Commission met in closed session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to Government Code Section 11126. No Commission decisions were required or made.

MINUTES

The Commission considered Memorandum 2026-24, presenting the draft Minutes of the May 22, 2026, meeting. The Commission voted to approve the Minutes without change.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Report of the Executive Director

The Executive Director reported on the following:

- Progress on the move to new Commission office space at 925 L St., Suite 250 in Sacramento, California and thanks to Commission staff for their contributions.
- Budget update and thanks to Commissioner Jenkins for her staff's help with the Commission's budget.

Commissioner Suggestions

There were no suggestions made by Commissioners.

Lease

The Commission considered Memorandum 2026-25, presenting a summary of the lease for the Commission's office space at 925 L St., Suite 250, in Sacramento. The Commission voted to approve the lease.

2026 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

The Commission considered Memorandum 2026-26 and the First Supplement thereto presenting the status of the Commission's legislative program, which included an update on the Commission's Biennial Resolution of Authority, Resolution Chapter 148 of the Statutes of 2026 (ACR 168, Pacheco); the Equal Rights Study,[2] AB 2563 (Pacheco); and the Antitrust Study,[3] AB 1776 (Aguiar-Curry). No Commission decisions were required or made.

[2] Equal Rights Amendment, Study I-100.
[3] Antitrust Law, Study B-750.

STUDY B-750 — ANTITRUST LAW

The Commission considered Memorandum 2026-29, presenting draft language options for mergers and acquisitions, and the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Supplements thereto presenting public comments.

The Commission voted to approve the staff recommendation that California adopt its own mergers and acquisition statutes and to have the staff prepare a Tentative Recommendation with the following components:

- The basic framework.
- The reasonable probability standard.
- A purpose statement with revisions to make the language consistent with merger and acquisition law.

(Commissioner Jenkins was not present.)

STUDY I-200 — TERMINOLOGY RELATING TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The Commission considered Memorandum 2026-30, which analyzed public comments on the proposal to replace the defined and undefined terms "dependent adult/person" with "adult/person with a disability" throughout the codes. The Commission voted to direct staff to draft a Tentative Recommendation that recommends no changes to the current terms because there was no consensus on a replacement term. The Commission further directed the staff circulate the draft Tentative Recommendation to stakeholders and legislative staff and members to solicit comments.

(Commissioners Carrillo, Huebner, and Simpson voted aye. Commissioners Bee and King voted no. Commissioner Jenkins abstained.)

STUDY J-507 — CIVIL DISCOVERY IMPROVEMENTS

The Commission considered Memorandum 2026-31, which provided background on the Civil Discovery Act, outlined the history of the bill that temporarily codified informal discovery conferences (Chapter 189 of the Statutes of 2017 (AB 383, Chau)), and provided a status update on stakeholder outreach. No Commission decisions were required or made.

STUDY J-1500 — WRIT PROCEDURES

The Commission considered Memorandum 2026-32, which introduced the Writ Procedures study and explained outreach efforts to date. Commissioner King suggested that staff include in its research other states' laws on writ procedures. No Commission decisions were required or made.

STUDY G-500 — EDUCATION REPORTING

The Commission considered Memorandum 2026-33, which introduced the Education Reporting Study and described the staff's initial research approach and findings. The staff informed the Commission that they intended to reach out to the following organizations in addition to those listed in the memorandum: school employee organizations like the California Teachers Association, the California School Employees Association, and SEIU and the Charter Schools Association. Commissioner Simpson suggested the staff also reach out to the California Federation of Teachers and Commissioner King suggested outreach to the Los Angeles County Office of Education. No Commission decisions were required or made.
