



**SAN BENITO COUNTY
BOARD OF LAW LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

**Omar
Rodriguez**
Presiding
Judge

**Kollin
Kosmicki**
Supervisor
District 2

**Harry
Damkar**
Attorney
Public
Defender

**Pamela
Brown**
Attorney
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Defender

**Laura
Moorer**
County
Resident

**William
Tiffany**
Attorney

*San Benito Superior Court Conference Room (Second Floor)
450 Fourth Street, Hollister, California 95023*

**SAN BENITO COUNTY BOARD OF LAW LIBRARY TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING-
July 20, 2026**

Written Comments & Email Public Comment

Members of the public may submit comments via email by 5:00 PM on the Monday prior to the meeting to the clerk at maryanne@prenticelongpc.com

Public Comment Guidelines

- A. The Board welcomes your comments.
- B. Each individual speaker will be limited to a presentation total of three (3) minutes or some other time as may be designed by the President.
- C. Please keep your comments brief, and to the point, and do not repeat prior testimony, so that as many people as possible can be heard. Your cooperation is appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact MaryAnne Aubin, at (831) 636-4040, or email maryanne@prenticelongpc.com

The San Benito County Board of Law Library Trustees welcomes you to this meeting and encourages your participation.

- If you wish to speak on a matter that does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Comment period at the beginning of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda. When addressing the Board, please state your name for the record. Please address the Board as a whole through the President.*
- If you wish to speak on an item contained in the agenda, please seek recognition from the President prior to consideration of the item.*

1. ROLL CALL

12:13PM Call to Order.

Present	Absent
Omar Rodriguez (Presiding Judge)	Pamela Brown (Attorney Public Defender)
Kollin Kosmicki (District 2 Supervisor)	Laura Moorner (County Resident)
Harry Damkar (Attorney Public Defender)	
Gregory Priamos (San Benito County Counsel)	
Tim Newman (Court Executive Officer)	
MaryAnne Aubin (Clerk/Notes)	

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: Opportunity to address the Board on items of interest not appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken unless provided by Govt—code Section 54954.2.

None.

3. REGULAR AGENDA

- a. Nomination and Election of Officers – President, Vice President, and Secretary (B&P Code Section 6306-6307)

President: Omar Rodriguez is nominated

Moved by William Tiffany; seconded by Kollin Kosmicki to Approve Motion to approve.

Motion Passed: 4- 0

Voting For: Omar Rodriguez, Kollin Kosmicki, Harry Damkar, William Tiffany

Voting Against: None

Absent: Pamela Brown, Laura Moorner

Vice President: William Tiffany is nominated

Moved by Omar Rodriguez; seconded by Kollin Kosmicki to Approve Motion to approve.

Motion Passed: 4- 0

Voting For: Omar Rodriguez, Kollin Kosmicki, Harry Damkar, William Tiffany

Voting Against: None

Absent: Pamela Brown, Laura Moorner

Secretary: Kollin Kosmicki is nominated

Moved by William Tiffany; seconded by Omar Rodriguez to Approve Motion to approve.

Motion Passed: 4- 0

Voting For: Omar Rodriguez, Kollin Kosmicki, Harry Damkar, William Tiffany

Voting Against: None

Absent: Pamela Brown, Laura Moorner

- b. Adopt Regular Quarterly Meeting Schedule or as otherwise determined by the Board (B & P Section 6304)

The Board motions to have quarterly meetings on the third Monday of the month in the Jury Assembly Room at 12 p.m., starting on October 19, 2026

Moved by Omar Rodriguez; seconded by William Tiffany to Approve Motion to approve.

Motion Passed: 4- 0

Voting For: Omar Rodriguez, Kollin Kosmicki, Harry Damkar, William Tiffany

Voting Against: None

Absent: Pamela Brown, Laura Moorer

- c. Discuss necessity and process for adoption of rules, regulations, and by-laws
(B & P Section 6343)

The Board motions to elect Gregory to draft the rules, regulations, and by-laws for their consideration at the next regular meeting.

Moved by Omar Rodriguez; seconded by Kollin Kosmicki to Approve Motion to approve.

Motion Passed: 4- 0

Voting For: Omar Rodriguez, Kollin Kosmicki, Harry Damkar, William Tiffany

Voting Against: None

Absent: Pamela Brown, Laura Moorer

- d. Review, consider, discuss, and give directions to staff, as necessary regarding the funds collected for the law library as reflected in the County Treasurer's Report as of May 31, 2026

Gregory stated some of the powers that the Board has in regard to establishing the law library which are: the Board may lease or construct quarters for the physical law library, withdrawing payments for carrying into effect the law library's insurance, books, journals, appointing a Law Librarian with an affixed salary, and contracting others to provide these services using the available funds.

Additionally, the annual report must be provided to the Board of Supervisors which demonstrates how the funds were used. This annual report is due on the 30th day of June and is filed with the Auditor.

- e. Review, consider, discuss, and give directions to staff, as necessary regarding the funds collected for the law library as reflected in the County Treasurer's Report as of May 31, 2026

The Board discusses the availability of temporary space at the San Benito County Library for the Law Library with an alternate available location at the Self Help Center at the Courthouse. The Board will identify which essential, physical copies of books are necessary as well as purchasing two computer terminals with a dedicated printer.

- f. Discuss establishing a temporary location for the Law Library pending establishment of a permanent location and give direction to staff

The San Benito County Librarian can accommodate two computer terminals and one dedicated printer for the Law Library. Tim Newman has a listing of mandatory books and will provide the list to Gregory. The San Benito County Library does not have the bandwidth to direct patrons on their research; rather, they will be only be able to demonstrate how to login. The Board discusses a subscription for West Law or Lexis Protégé as a cost effective tool. Laura Moorer has a draft regarding Artificial Intelligence (AI) search engines specific to law.

The Board motions to approve Gregory to work with Tim Newman on the costs for two computers, two terminals, one printer, furniture, and the law-specific search engines to present to the Board

Moved by Omar Rodriguez; seconded by Kollin Kosmicki to Approve Motion to approve.

Motion Passed: 4- 0

Voting For: Omar Rodriguez, Kollin Kosmicki, Harry Damkar, William Tiffany

Voting Against: None

Absent: Pamela Brown, Laura Moorer

- 4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: No discussion of these items shall occur, but the Board may direct any reports to be agendized for a future meeting.**

None.

ADJOURNMENT

12:50p.m.

As required by Gov. Code Section 54957.5 any public record distributed to the Public Defender Oversight Committee less than 72 hours prior to this meeting in connection with any agenda item shall be made available for public inspection at the office of the County Counsel, San Benito County Administration Building, 481 Fourth Street, Hollister, CA 95023. Public records distributed during the meeting will be available for public inspection at the meeting if prepared by the County. If the public record is prepared by some other person and distributed at the meeting it will be made available for public inspection following the meeting at the office of the County Counsel.