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**State Completes Upgrades to Stanley Mosk Library & Courts Building**  
*Historic state building now safer, more accessible, and ‘green’*

**Sacramento**—In one of the most extensive projects of its kind, the California Department of General Services (DGS) today announced that major renovation work at the historic Stanley Mosk Library and Courts Building is nearly complete. The circa 1928 landmark building, located across the street from the State Capitol at 914 Capitol Mall in downtown Sacramento, is home to the California Supreme Court, Court of Appeal, and the California State Library.

“From floor to ceiling, this renovation project has resulted in a safer, more accessible building that is also more energy efficient,” said DGS director Fred Klass. “This iconic state government building takes advantage of 21<sup>st</sup> Century technology while also preserving its early 20<sup>th</sup> Century beauty and architectural importance.”

Construction activities on the five-story granite and terra cotta building began in 2011 including upgrades to accessibility, fire and life safety, and security systems. Electrical and plumbing systems were updated, repairs were made to the roof and the building’s exterior, hazardous materials such as asbestos were abated, and historical features including ceilings, lights, elevators and public art were restored.

In addition to making the facility safer and more accessible, the renovation project also incorporated environmentally-sound design features and technologies. As part of the state of California’s commitment to sustainable, ‘green’ building design and construction, the project replaced antiquated heating and ventilation apparatus with energy efficient equipment to prevent heating and air-conditioning waste. To preserve water, efficient fixtures were added to the landscape irrigation and the building’s plumbing. The renovation project is designed to earn LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) Silver certification from the U.S. Green Building Council.

The project was managed by the Department of General Services Real Estate Services Division. The project was accomplished within budget.

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