

## Item 10. 2021 Strategic Goal

**Project Length: January 01, 2021 – December 31, 2021**

**Strategic Goal 2021:** To provide a global view of the disability access legal complaints and study the compliance effort of the legal community within the State of California. The California Commission on Disability Access (CCDA) has a data collection mandate to research Title III construction-related American with Disabilities Act (ADA) court filings and submission practices within the California federal district and state superior court systems.

**Description:** The CCDA will conduct a data collection review within the sixty-two court systems (four federal district courts and fifty-eight state superior courts) in California to determine compliance levels for ADA Title III construction-related attorney submitted legal complaint filings in 2020.

### I. Critical Paths

**A.** Develop a research protocol, including criteria for data collection.

The CCDA is reviewing whether California attorneys are consistently in compliance with California Civil Code Section 55.32 et seq. This statute mandates submission of attorney federal district and state superior court alleged construction-related Title III ADA legal complaints into the CCDA's electronic portal.

**B.** Conduct data collection of the four California district courts (Central, Eastern, Northern, and Southern) and California's 58 superior state courts using legal research tools and existing CCDA records.

**C.** Analysis of Data: Identify existing law firms filing claims submitted to the California courts outside CCDA's data collection system.

**D.** Develop a letter to communicate reporting obligations for the legal community, in order to achieve greater compliance with on-time submissions.

**E.** Develop recommendations based on findings from examining claims submitted within California's courts by attorneys and/or law firms for inclusion in the Annual Report to the State Legislature.