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To the Chief Justice, the Chair of the Executive and Planning Committee and the Members of the Judicial Council:

Our Chief Justice showed courage and leadership in forming the Strategic Evaluation Committee and charging it with the task of stating the truth as the SEC found it. The SEC has fulfilled its responsibilities with admirable thoroughness and candor. I urge the Judicial Council to move without delay to make the recommendations of the SEC report a reality.

It may require a degree of humility to accept the criticisms in the report rather than to reflexively defend against them. That measure of humility could also be considered as a measure of greatness for the Judicial Council.

The arrogance and dishonesty shown by the AOC has deeply wounded the integrity of the Judicial branch. The SEC report shows how we can begin to mend.

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