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I **strongly** support the recommendations contained in the SEC report. As a judge for over 23 years, I now see the crumbling of the building and support blocks of our Justice system. In a democracy and civilized society, the courts are the last and final resort to resolve conflicts. We are an equal third branch of government.

The AOC is out of control. The AOC has wasted billions of dollars. The funding must be allocated to the trial and appellate courts, not some bureaucracy out of control. 55 courtrooms closed in Los Angeles. What next??? More closures next year? The courts cannot reject the cases that are filed. We cannot control our caseload. Do we end up dismissing all misdemeanor cases due to closed courtrooms? Do we end up forcing civil cases to a standstill so that the felonies are tried? Do we make people wait 4 years before divorces can be finalized and custody disputes resolved?

Thank You for your consideration.

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