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I am a judicial officer for Los Angeles Superior Court. I have been on the bench going on 22 years. I have seen the transition from Municipal Court, to a consolidated Superior Court. I have seen the management from the court only to the management by the AOC.

I do not usually involve myself in the doings of the Court and the AOC. But, based on my review of the Strategic Evaluation Committee Report (SEC report) I cannot help but relay my thoughts.

It is clear from what I have read and heard that the AOC has lost its focus on what really matters. The AOC, at least as to my interpretation, is here to provide services to the trial courts and to the public through the courts.

My impression not only from the SEC report but from common knowledge as to those involved in the trial courts is that the management of AOC has grown out of hand. Fiscal responsibility has been flawed, and the impact upon the courts and the public we serve has now come home to roost.

The time for talk is over. Implementation of the recommendations of the SEC report need to go forward immediately. Further delay risks the importance of the third branch of government that the majority of the public are exposed to daily.

I urge an immediate implementation of all the findings by the SEC report. This is the only way to maintain stability in the judicial branch.