

Item SP12-05 Response Form

Title: Strategic Evaluation Committee Report

The Strategic Evaluation Committee (SEC) was appointed by Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye in March 2011 to conduct an in-depth review of the AOC with a view toward promoting transparency, accountability, and efficiency. The Chief Justice received the report and recommendations on May 25. At its meeting on June 21, 2012, the Judicial Council accepted the report and directed that it be posted for public comment for 30 days. Comments received will be considered public and posted by name and organization.

PLEASE NOTE that all comments will be posted to the branch web site at www.courts.ca.gov as submitted by the commentator as soon as reasonably possible after receipt.

To Submit Comments

Comments may be entered on this form or prepared in a letter format. If you are *not* submitting your comments directly on this form, please include the information requested below and the proposal number for identification purposes. Because all comments will be posted as submitted to the branch web site, please submit your comments by email, preferably as an attachment, to: invitations@jud.ca.gov

Please include the following information:

Name: Charlotte J. Orcutt **Title:** Superior Court Judge San Joaquin County

Organization: _____

Commenting on behalf of an organization

General Comment: I support the recommendations of the SEC report and request that their recommendations be implemented without further delay or further committees. A new Director of the AOC needs to be appointed immediately with an eye toward implementing the recommendations in the report. It is important that we restore public confidence in the judiciary and let them see that we can manage ourselves effectively and efficiently. Appropriate monies need to be sent to the trial courts so they can administer justice as our Constitution intended and the AOC can get back to their core responsibility of supporting the trial courts.

Specific Comment - Recommendation/Chapter Number:

DEADLINE FOR COMMENT: 5:00 p.m., Sunday, July 22, 2012

All comments will become part of the public record.