

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: Janet Davis **Title:** Program Manager

Organization: Amador Superior Court

Commenting on behalf of an organization

General Comment: To Justice Miller, Justice Cantil-Sakauye, members of the Judicial Council and the Strategic Evaluation Committee:

I have worked in the court system for over 18 years, and experienced all of the changes the Judicial Branch has gone through during that time - from reliant on the local county government to now 'reliant' on the AOC/Judicial Council. At this point we may have been better off with the local government.

It is vital to the independence, integrity, credibility, and morale of the entire Judicial Branch immediate action be taken to implement each and every recommendation of the Strategic Evaluation Committee report.

The decision was made to open the report up for a comment period; even through fear of retribution the comments are consistent in their message of the need to implement the recommendations immediately.

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Also it is clear from the SEC report, the actions of the legislature and Governor Brown the Judicial Branch is in trouble. It is time to step up, admit devastating decisions and mistakes have been made and move forward by immediately making the changes recommended and needed to save our branch. Commit to this on July 27, 2012. No more committees, reports, surveys, comments or delay.

Thank you.

Specific Comment - Recommendation/Chapter Number All:

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