

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.

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Please include the following information:

Name: Stuart M. Rice **Title:** Judge of the Superior Court

Organization: LASC

Commenting on behalf of an organization

General Comment: I join the voices of many others in thanking the Chief Justice for having the foresight and courage to commission the SEC. The members of the SEC are to be commended for their obvious dedication to the task for which they were entrusted and the countless hours they must have collectively spent to prepare such an exhaustive report with concrete recommendations. I wholeheartedly support the immediate implementation of the committee's blueprint. In addition, I encourage the Judicial Council to utilize all means at its disposal to provide additional funds for the trial courts during this fiscal nightmare.

Specific Comment - Recommendation/Chapter Number:

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

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