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The painful process of extracting information from the AOC shows how far that body has strayed from its initial mission. Instead of serving the courts the AOC has become obsessed with self preservation. As a result, access to justice has suffered. Misplacement of priorities is common in large bureaucracies and the AOC is no exception.

Transparency is paramount if the branch hopes to regain the trust of the public and the other two branches of government. The SEC recommendations should be implemented without delay.

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