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A Report on Services Provided by Staff to the Judicial Council

June 27, 2014

Today's Report

- Information only
- Represents collaborative effort of all offices



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
OF THE COURTS

Reasons for Initiative

- Organization experienced budget cuts/staff reductions due to VSIP, layoffs, retirement
- Need for review of remaining staffing/services to determine impact of staffing reductions
- Development of recommendations for council on how to prioritize services to utilize remaining staff most effectively



Reasons for Initiative (continued)

- Executive Office determined it vital to first catalog and review all services provided before recommending priorities



Developing the Catalog of Services

- Worked with each office to obtain information about their services
- Services catalogued represent services remaining after offices eliminated or suspended activities in light of budget reductions



Executive Office Review

- Catalog of services provided to Executive Office
- Series of meetings held to review the catalog of services
- Executive Office determined services were critical in service to the branch



Services Aligned with Access 3D

- During this review of services, the Chief Justice announced her vision for Access 3D
 - Equal Access
 - Physical Access
 - Remote Access
- Document developed to demonstrate how the services provided directly align and are in direct support of Access 3D



AOC Services Aligned with Access 3D (Attachment 1)

- Contains the tenets of the Chief Justice's Access 3D initiative and high level descriptions of how AOC offices are in direct support of this initiative
- Staff to the council provides the underlying systems, support, and technical expertise to the branch needed for equal, physical, and remote access



Catalog of Services Provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts (Attachment 2)

- Detailed catalog of AOC services by offices, program, and unit
- Includes current organization charts and staffing as of April 30, 2014



Services Provided

- All three attachments demonstrate broad and varied services, displayed differently
- High-level descriptions of staff services included do not quantify or reflect the amount of work that occurs behind the scenes
- Represents initial step in multi-phased project



Next Steps

- Quantify workload to determine staffing level
 - Labor- and time-intensive
 - Will require working with every office for analysis
 - May result in several outcomes:
 - More staff than services require?
 - Insufficient staff to perform services adequately?



Next Steps (continued)

- The result of the next phase will be presented to the council for critical decisions:
 - Prioritize services to align with staffing levels?
 - Realign staffing to support critical service areas?
 - Eliminate services?



Next Steps (continued)

- Return to the council in August to provide an update on our efforts to develop/finalize a methodology for next phase



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Questions?