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David Schumacher Director, Office of Financial Management P.O. Box 43113 Olympia, WA 98504-3113

Dear Mr. Schumacher:

With this letter I am pleased to submit copies of the 2024 supplemental budget request for transmission to the State Legislature on behalf of the Washington Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals, and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). Also included are the 2024 supplemental budget requests for the Office of Public Defense and Office of Civil Legal Aid.

The Supreme Court, Board for Judicial Administration, and Judicial Information Systems Committee continue to rigorously review all requests for new and increased funding. These requests were reviewed by boards and committees that represent a thorough cross-section of the Judicial Branch, and in the view of the Court, represent our highest priorities.

The Court, the Court of Appeals, and AOC have submitted modest requests this year and focused on three priority areas: Supporting trial courts; improving access to justice; and maintaining our critical IT infrastructure.

If you have any questions regarding our process or the budget submittal, please do not hesitate to contact me at (360) 357-2029. You may also contact Christopher Stanley, Chief Financial and Management Officer at 360-357-2406 or at Christopher.Stanley@courts.wa.gov

Respectfully,

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