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Pat Sullivan
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Dear Mr. Sullivan:

With this letter I am pleased to transmit the 2025-27 biennial budget request on behalf of the Washington Supreme Court and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). Also included are the 2025-27 biennial budget requests for the Washington State Court of Appeals, Office of Public Defense and Office of Civil Legal Aid.

The Supreme Court, Board for Judicial Administration, and Judicial Information Systems Committee reviewed all AOC requests for funding, as they do every year. This year, we know that funds will be limited and have prioritized those programs and initiatives that continue existing work. These AOC requests were reviewed by boards and committees that represent a thorough cross-section of the Judicial Branch, and represent our highest priorities.

Washington's Judicial Branch remains committed to a judicial system that works for everyone. That's why our requests revolve around supporting our trial courts, continuing programs that work, and maintaining the technological infrastructure that enables the justice system to run.

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,

Steven González Chief Justice cc: Dawn Marie Rubio, State Court Administrator Christopher Stanley, Chief Financial & Management Officer Presiding Chief Judge Anne Cruser, Court of Appeals Larry Jefferson, Director, Office of Public Defense Sara Robbins, Director, Office of Civil Legal Aid