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State Supreme Court,

I am writing you today to comment on the court rule you are considering to drastically reduce the number of cases a public defender handles. Please do not pass this rule. A person who commits a crime should be held accountable for their crime. This is in the best interest of all involved: citizens, the state, the police, and the individuals being prosecuted. This rule will have a negative impact, delaying or foregoing prosecutions due to the lack of public defenders, resulting in prosecutors selecting only the most serious crimes. I am convinced this would be a grave mistake, and I urge you not to pass this court rule.

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