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I've become aware of a case before the Washington State Supreme Court that has me very concerned about the outcome.

I'm a homeowner in the city of Sequim, Washington. After performing jury duty recently, I've followed the results of a couple of legal cases closely here on the Olympic Peninsula, and that's helped me to think of this in the larger picture.

Please give serious consideration to the actual effects that would result by lowering public defender caseloads, particularly in the case of property crimes, but also beyond that. It seems to me that this, along with other changes around us in the U.S., are setting the scene for a very real dystopia where private citizens cannot feel safe in their own homes because there is no effective legal judicial system in place to prosecute criminals, leaving them to commit crime at will with no fear of significant consequences.

I'm quite alarmed and frightened by the possible impact of these changes on my community and the state in general. Please consider my comments as I'm sure there are many, many citizens of Washington who would agree with me if they only were aware of your impending decision.

Sincerely,

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