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April 3, 2017

Hon. Nancy Skinner, Chair
Senate Public Safety Committee
State Capitol, Room 2059
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: SB 339 (Roth), as introduced – Support
Hearing: Senate Public Safety Committee – April 4, 2017

Dear Senator Skinner:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support SB 339, which requires the Judicial Council to conduct a study of veterans and Veterans Treatment Courts that includes a statewide assessment of those courts, including the number of participants and program outcomes. The study will also include a survey of counties that do not operate Veterans Treatment Courts that identifies barriers to program implementation and assesses the need for Veterans Treatment Courts in those jurisdictions. The bill also requires the council to report the results of the study to the Legislature on or before June 1, 2020, including recommendations regarding expansion of Veterans Treatment Courts or services to counties without those courts and the feasibility of designing regional model Veterans Treatment Courts.

The Judicial Council believes that evaluating processes and identifying promising practices of Veterans Treatment Courts that are currently in operation and understanding needs and service gaps would be beneficial to those courts as well as other jurisdictions interested in replicating these programs. The council also notes that the number of Veterans Treatment Courts has

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For these reasons, the Judicial Council is pleased to support SB 339.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Sharon Reilly at 916-323-3121.

Sincerely,

Mailed on April 3, 2017

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cc: Members, Senate Public Safety Committee
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April 14, 2017

Hon. Josh Newman, Chair
Senate Veterans Affairs Committee
State Capitol, Room 4082
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Senate Bill 339 (Roth), as introduced – Support
Hearing: Senate Veterans Affairs Committee – April 25, 2017

Dear Senator Newman:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support SB 339, which requires the Judicial Council to conduct a study of veterans and Veterans Treatment Courts that includes a statewide assessment of those courts, including the number of participants and program outcomes. The study will also include a survey of counties that do not operate Veterans Treatment Courts that identifies barriers to program implementation and assesses the need for Veterans Treatment Courts in those jurisdictions. The bill also requires the council to report the results of the study to the Legislature on or before June 1, 2020, including recommendations regarding expansion of Veterans Treatment Courts or services to counties without those courts and the feasibility of designing regional model Veterans Treatment Courts.

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Mr. Doug Yoakam, Consultant, Senate Republican Office of Policy
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June 15, 2017

Hon. Jacqui V. Irwin, Chair
Assembly Veterans Affairs Committee
State Capitol, Room 5119
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Senate Bill 339 (Roth), as amended May 26, 2017 – Support
Hearing: Assembly Veterans Affairs Committee – June 27, 2017

Dear Assembly Member Irwin:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support SB 339, which requires the Judicial Council to conduct a study of veterans and Veterans Treatment Courts that includes a statewide assessment of those courts, including the number of participants and program outcomes. The study will also include a survey of counties that do not operate Veterans Treatment Courts that identifies barriers to program implementation and assesses the need for Veterans Treatment Courts in those jurisdictions. The bill also requires the council to report the results of the study to the Legislature on or before June 1, 2020, including recommendations regarding expansion of Veterans Treatment Courts or services to counties without those courts and the feasibility of designing regional model Veterans Treatment Courts.

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For these reasons, the Judicial Council is pleased to support SB 339.

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Sincerely,

Mailed on June 16, 2017

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July 6, 2017

Hon. Reginald B. Jones-Sawyer, Sr., Chair
Assembly Public Safety Committee
State Capitol, Room 2024
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Senate Bill 339 (Roth), as amended June 22, 2017 – Support
Hearing: Assembly Public Safety Committee – July 11, 2017

Dear Assembly Member Jones-Sawyer:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support SB 339, which requires the Judicial Council to conduct a study of veterans and Veterans Treatment Courts that includes a statewide assessment of those courts, including the number of participants and program outcomes. The study will also include a survey of counties that do not operate Veterans Treatment Courts that identifies barriers to program implementation and assesses the need for Veterans Treatment Courts in those jurisdictions. The bill also requires the council to report the results of the study to the Legislature on or before June 1, 2020, including recommendations regarding expansion of Veterans Treatment Courts or services to counties without those courts and the feasibility of designing regional model Veterans Treatment Courts.

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For these reasons, the Judicial Council is pleased to support SB 339.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Sharon Reilly at 916-323-3121.

Sincerely,

Mailed on July 6, 2017

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September 18, 2017

Hon. Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor of California
State Capitol, First Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Senate Bill 339 (Roth) – Request for Signature

Dear Governor Brown:

The Judicial Council respectfully requests your signature on SB 339, which requires the Judicial Council to conduct a study of veterans and Veterans Treatment Courts that includes a statewide assessment of those courts, including the number of participants and program outcomes. The study will also include a survey of counties that do not operate Veterans Treatment Courts that identifies barriers to program implementation and assesses the need for Veterans Treatment Courts in those jurisdictions. The bill also requires the council to report the results of the study to the Legislature on or before June 1, 2020, including recommendations regarding expansion of Veterans Treatment Courts or services to counties without those courts and the feasibility of designing regional model Veterans Treatment Courts.

The Judicial Council believes that evaluating processes and identifying promising practices of Veterans Treatment Courts that are currently in operation and understanding needs and service gaps will be beneficial to those courts as well as other jurisdictions interested in replicating these programs. The council also notes that the number of Veterans Treatment Courts has expanded more than any other type of Collaborative Court in recent years. There are currently 34 Veterans Treatment Courts in 25 Counties in California. Further, some counties are establishing

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For these reasons, the Judicial Council respectfully requests your signature on SB 339.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Sharon Reilly at 916-323-3121.

Sincerely,

Mailed on September 20, 2017

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Director, Governmental Affairs

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