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Independent Citizens Commission State of Arkansas State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Re: Request of Arkansas Judicial Council

Dear Commissioners:

I write this letter as the President of Arkansas Judicial Council. Members of the Arkansas Judicial Council include the State's circuit judges (126), judges of the Arkansas Court of Appeals (12), and justices of the Arkansas Supreme Court (7).

I have been authorized by the Council's Board of Directors to request a cost of living adjustment or modest salary increase of three (3) percent. This is the amount the governor recently granted all state employees. Over the last few years, the commission has done an excellent job acknowledging the hard work of our state's judges. To us, it would make sense that moving forward, the Commission would consider granting us the same salary increase that the governor grants to state employees.

We thank you in advance for your fair consideration of our request.

Respectfully submitted,

Hamilton H. Singleton

President