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AMENDED REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17

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Dear Directors:

Pursuant to Chapter 216, Florida Statutes, the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Amended Legislative Budget Request Number One for the Judicial Branch is submitted in the format prescribed in the budget instructions. The following issues represent technical changes to issues originally submitted on September 15, 2015.

- **Certification of Need for Additional Judgeships** – This issue was amended to reflect the Supreme Court Opinion SC15-1991 dated November 19, 2015. The amended issue requests a total of 51.0 FTE and \$6,904,297, a decrease of 23.0 FTE and \$3,138,331 from the original legislative budget request.

- **Fund Shift from State Courts Revenue Trust Fund to General Revenue Fund** –This issue was amended to reflect the updated Article V Revenue Estimating Conference as of December 21, 2015. As of December 31, 2015, the anticipated deficit in the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund was \$11,963,686, an increase of \$4,502,624 from the original legislative budget request submission.

The information provided and contained herein is a true and accurate presentation of our amended legislative budget request for budget period 2016-17.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jorge Labarga". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke.

Jorge Labarga

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