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February 17, 2017

Salena Copeland
Executive Director
Legal Aid Association of California
350 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 701
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Invitation to Legal Services Organizations to Participate in the State Budget Process

Dear Ms. Copeland:

I am writing to invite information and feed-back from representatives of California's Legal Services Corporations (LSC) funded programs for all items in the Governor's Proposed Budget and any additional proposals brought forth by Legislators and other entities relating to poverty, public benefits, immigration, access to justice, and other matters that impact low income Californians.

The information provided can either be in writing or in oral form, and it should be shared with my immediate office and the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee and subcommittees. My office and the Senate and Budget and Fiscal Review committee may share this information with other Legislators, their staff, committees, agencies, and the executive branch as we deem appropriate.

I understand that the LSC funded programs in California are:

Bay Area Legal Aid	Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles
California Indian Legal Services	Legal Aid Society of Orange County
California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.	Legal Aid Society of San Diego, Inc.
Central California Legal Services	Legal Services of Northern California
Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance	Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles
Inland County Legal Services	

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Your grassroots knowledge of how our fellow Californians are doing, what we might do to improve lives, and how to make our systems work better for people is valued.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H. Mitchell".

Senator Holly J. Mitchell