Judicial Council FY 2019 Budget Requests

1. **$313,400 Replace main line item Court Complex restricted account with General Fund.** These funds were swapped during the recession, with the understanding that eventually they would need to be restored in order to keep the Court Complex Fund whole. **Impact:** The restricted account will not have enough money to pay for its obligations because the Provo Courthouse cost hits this fiscal year.

2. **$350,000 one-time Replace main server at Matheson.** The main server that supports all of our e-everything functions has reached end of life. This one-time allocation is sufficient to replace it with a new server. **Impact:** Failing to replace the server increases the likelihood of a system failure. It has to be replaced at some point.

3. **$288,750 Replace 3 FTE law clerks in Utah County.** With the opening of the Provo Courthouse this fall, the Utah County Sheriff will no longer support our long standing law clerk bailiff program. The security funds currently used to pay for this function are no longer available, and a building block is necessary to maintain just the current level of legal support to the judges. This is not an increase in law clerk services. **Impact:** Fourth District will have 2 law clerks for the 13 district court judges.

4. **$183,700 Guardianship Reporting and Monitoring Program.** Two FTEs run this statewide program, recruiting, training and assigning volunteers to locate and monitor guardians. This function provides information to judges about vulnerable adults (wards), and helps to protect them from abuse and fraud. **Impact:** Grant funding has all but gone away for this program, and funding personnel with one-time savings is not sustainable. Without this program, fraud and abuse will be much harder to detect and stop.