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SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 77,623

COMMISSION ON FAMILY COURTS RECOMMENDATIONS

IN RE:

COMMENTS OF LEGAL SERVICES OF GREATER MIAMI, INC.

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While it is true that the legislature appropriated significant amounts for Juvenile Justice Reform for FY 90-91, budget cuts by the Governor and Cabinet have decimated the initiative. The original appropriation would have yielded approximately <u>\$93</u> million in new programs and services on an annualized basis. After the November 1990 and January 1991 budget cuts, the annualized scope of the initiative was reduced to approximately \$35.3 million. This year, the session just ended added only \$8.3 million to the HRS budget for million. Children Youth and Family Office of Delinquency Programs. Reports from House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, 1990 and 1991. These figures must be contrasted with the official statutory report of the Juvenile Justice System Review Task Force which in 1990 concluded that system needs were at least \$250 million. This task force included current and retired members of the judiciary, law enforcement offices, prosecutors and others.

Respectfully submitted,

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