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### Title

### **Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act | Report to Legislature (Action Required)**

#### Summary

The Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Implementation Committee recommends that the Judicial Council approve the *Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Evaluation* (June 2020), and forward the report to the Legislature. This report is required by Government Code section 68085.1(c). The report examines the effect of providing legal representation to low-income persons over a period of five years in cases involving landlord/tenant matters, highly conflicted custody cases, and guardianship and conservatorship matters of the person. The report includes a review of data from legal services case records, court files, and interviews with clients, courts, and legal services programs and other stakeholders, in addition to providing a review of other research.

#### Recommendation

The Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Implementation Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective June 30, 2020, approve for submission the *Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Evaluation* (June 2020), as required by Government Code section 68085.1(c).