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PROMOTING EQUAL JUSTICE THROUGH JUDICIAL SECURITY



ENHANCING JUDICIAL SECURITY IN THE FEDERAL COURTS

- With a 400% increase in substantiated threats since 2015, our judges, court personnel, and courthouses are left vulnerable to security threats, endangering the lives of those within the judicial system.
- To respond to this significant increase in threats, more funding for additional security is needed, including hiring more security and replacing aging courthouse screening equipment.
- The Vulnerability Management Program was an important first step and should be expanded to assist more judges with removing their personally identifiable information from websites and online databases.



PASS THE BIPARTISAN COUNTERING THREATS AND ATTACKS ON OUR JUDGES ACT (S.3984)

- These security issues are very real for judges across the country, at both the federal and state level.
- Passing the bipartisan Countering Threats and Attacks on Our Judges Act (S.3984) will help state courts also address the increased threats and actual violence against judges, court staff, and the public across the country.
- Continuing to bolster security for the judiciary at the federal and state level is imperative to ensuring the independence and impartiality of the judicial branch.

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