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The Honorable Jeff Flake
United States Senate
2200 East Camelback Road
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Phoenix, AZ 85016

Re: Veterans Court Improvement Act of 2017

Dear Senator Flake:

As Attorney General for Arizona, and as a former officer with the United States Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, I write to express my support for the Veterans Court Improvement Act of 2017. Your legislation draws attention to a growing problem in our nation.

Our country faces an incredible challenge in the coming years to properly care for and protect our veterans, especially the men and women who served the United States during the longest war of its history. At this time, we are not properly prepared to handle the specific physical, mental, and emotional challenges that these soldiers confront. Your legislation is one step toward giving back to those who gave their all.

As you know, our state is home to more than 500,000 veterans. We currently have twelve Veterans Courts operating across Arizona to assist veterans who are involved with the criminal justice system. The Veterans Justice Outreach Specialists play a key role in addressing the needs of these veterans, and we welcome the prospect of having more of them at work in our state.

Thank you again for raising this issue, and for advocating for our veterans.

Sincerely,

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Mark Brnovich
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