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Queensland Sentencing Advisory Council GPO Box 2360 Brisbane Qld 4001

Dear Secretariat,

## **RE: SENTENCING FOR RAPE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT**

We refer to our recent submission to the Queensland Sentencing Advisory Council on the sentencing of rape and sexual assault in Queensland.

Our purpose in writing is to provide a short addendum to our previous submission as we have only become aware of judicial monitoring being a sentencing option in Victoria.

A Victorian Sentencing Council Report in 2017 recommended the increased use of judicial monitoring for family violence offenders.

Please see Recommendations 3 – 10 and the link to the report below:

Swift, Certain and Fair Approaches to Sentencing Family Violence Offenders: Report (sentencingcouncil.vic.gov.au)

Judicial monitoring may be an appropriate option in some high-risk sexual violence matters, where judicial oversight might assist compliance, accountability and hopefully rehabilitation of offenders.

We therefore recommend that QSAC consider the use of judicial monitoring as an additional sentencing option in Queensland for high risk sexual violence offenders.

Kind Regards,

Angela Lynch, Executive Director