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Hon. Donald Wagner Member of the Assembly State Capitol, Room 4153 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 1893 (Wagner), as amended May 7, 2012 - Support

Dear Assembly Member Wagner:

The Judicial Council supports AB 1893, which clarifies the procedural rules that apply to probate proceedings. AB 1893 will promote uniformity and consistency in probate litigation throughout the state by clarifying motion practice and cutting down on or eliminating the filing of demurrers, compulsory cross-complaints, and other specified pleadings that are generally not applicable in probate cases. These beneficial changes should help save time and money for both litigants and the courts, which is especially important during the current fiscal crisis.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 1893.

Sincerely,

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