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Hon. Mike Feuer, Chair
Assembly Judiciary Committee
State Capitol, Room 3146
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 2116 (Evans), as amended April 5, 2010 - Support

Dear Assembly Member Feuer:

The Judicial Council supports AB 2116, which extends existing provisions regulating gifts and honoraria limitations for judges and justices to subordinate judicial officers.

While subordinate judicial officers are employees of the court and not elected officials, for this purpose their role is indistinct from that of judges and they owe the same accountability to the public. There is no apparent reason for excluding subordinate judicial officers from the regulations regarding gifts and honoraria.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 2116.

Sincerely,

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