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April 5, 2007

Hon. Mike Eng Member of the Assembly State Capitol, Room 6025 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 1126 (Eng), as amended March 28, 2007 - Support

Hearing: Assembly Judiciary Committee - April 10, 2007

### Dear Assembly Member Eng:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 1126, which provides, among other things, that in unlawful detainer actions and other specified summary proceedings involving the possession of real property, a discovery motion may be made at any time upon giving five days notice. AB 1126 also requires the Judicial Council to adopt rules prescribing the time for the filing and service of opposition and reply papers relating to specified motions filed in connection with the above summary proceedings. In addition, the bill allows a plaintiff in those summary proceedings to propound interrogatories, make a demand for inspection, and make requests for admission without leave of court at any time that is five days after service of the summons on, or appearance by, the relevant party, whichever occurs first.

The Judicial Council supports AB 1126 because it provides needed clarifications to the law governing discovery in unlawful detainer cases and other summary proceedings involving the possession of real property. AB 1126 will help avoid confusion by eliminating existing

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ambiguities, which should make unlawful detainer litigation and related actions more efficient for both litigants and the courts.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 1126.

Sincerely,

Daniel Pone Senior Attorney

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cc: Members, Assembly Judiciary Committee

Ms. Barbara Gaal, Chief Deputy Counsel, California Law Revision Commission Mr. Eric Csizmar, Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary, Office of the Governor

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April 24, 2007

Hon. Mark Leno, Chair Assembly Appropriations Committee State Capitol, Room 2114 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 1126 (Eng), as amended March 27, 2007 - Support Hearing: Assembly Appropriations Committee – April 25, 2007

Dear Assembly Member Leno:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 1126, which provides, among other things, that in unlawful detainer actions and other specified summary proceedings involving the possession of real property, a discovery motion may be made at any time upon giving five days notice. The bill also allows a plaintiff in those summary proceedings to propound interrogatories, make a demand for inspection, and make requests for admission without leave of court at any time that is five days after service of the summons on, or appearance by, the relevant party, whichever occurs first.

In addition, AB 1126 requires the Judicial Council to adopt rules prescribing the time for the filing and service of opposition and reply papers relating to specified motions filed in connection with the above summary proceedings. The Judicial Council has existing resources devoted to the development of rules of court, as required. To the extent that this bill requires the adoption of a new rule of court, the costs of adopting the new rule are expected to be minor and fully absorbable within existing resources.

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June 1, 2007

Hon. Ellen Corbett, Chair Senate Judiciary Committee State Capitol, Room 2187 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 1126 (Eng), as amended March 27, 2007 - Support

Hearing: Senate Judiciary Committee – June 12, 2007

#### Dear Senator Corbett:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 1126, which provides, among other things, that in unlawful detainer actions and other specified summary proceedings involving the possession of real property, a discovery motion may be made at any time upon giving five days notice. AB 1126 also requires the Judicial Council to adopt rules prescribing the time for the filing and service of opposition and reply papers relating to specified motions filed in connection with the above summary proceedings. In addition, the bill allows a plaintiff in those summary proceedings to propound interrogatories, make a demand for inspection, and make requests for admission without leave of court at any time that is five days after service of the summons on, or appearance by, the relevant party, whichever occurs first.

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ambiguities, which should make unlawful detainer litigation and related actions more efficient for both litigants and the courts.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 1126.

Sincerely,

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July 12, 2007

Hon. Arnold Schwarzenegger Governor of California State Capitol, First Floor Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 1126 (Eng) – Request for Signature

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

The Judicial Council requests your signature on AB 1126 which provides, among other things, that in unlawful detainer actions and other specified summary proceedings involving the possession of real property, a discovery motion may be made at any time upon giving five days notice. AB 1126 also requires the Judicial Council to adopt rules prescribing the time for the filing and service of opposition and reply papers relating to specified motions filed in connection with the above summary proceedings. In addition, the bill allows a plaintiff in those summary proceedings to propound interrogatories, make a demand for inspection, and make requests for admission without leave of court at any time that is five days after service of the summons on, or appearance by, the relevant party, whichever occurs first.

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For these reasons, the Judicial Council requests your signature on AB 1126.

Sincerely,

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