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March 20, 2008

Hon. Dave Jones, Chair Assembly Judiciary Committee State Capitol, Room 3146 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 2193 (Tran), as introduced - Support

Hearing: Assembly Judiciary Committee – March 25, 2008

Dear Assembly Member Jones:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 2193, which enacts the Interstate and International Depositions and Discovery Act, effective January 1, 2010.

The Judicial Council supports AB 2193 because it will provide clear guidance on the procedure that litigants, courts, and witnesses are to follow when discovery is taken in California for purposes of an out-of-state proceeding. The existing statute is ambiguous and confusing, and has resulted in varying practices in courts around the state, including uncertainty about the fees to be charged and the process for resolving disputes. As noted by the sponsor, the reforms in AB 2193 will not only benefit litigants in out-of-state proceedings, but will also assist California court personnel, process servers, witnesses, and others affected by application of the bill's provisions.

Hon. Dave Jones, Chair March 20, 2008 Page 2

For these reasons, the Judicial Council support AB 2193.

Sincerely,

Daniel Pone Senior Attorney

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cc:

Members, Assembly Judiciary Committee

Hon. Van Tran, Member of the Assembly

Ms. Barbara Gaal, Chief Deputy Counsel, California Law Revision Commission

Mr. Drew Liebert, Chief Counsel, Assembly Judiciary Committee

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May 15, 2008

Hon. Ellen Corbett, Chair Senate Judiciary Committee State Capitol, Room 3092 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject:

AB 2193 (Tran), as introduced - Support

Hearing:

Senate Judiciary Committee - June 10, 2008

Dear Senator Corbett:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 2193, which enacts the Interstate and International Depositions and Discovery Act, effective January 1, 2010.

The Judicial Council supports AB 2193 because it will provide clear guidance on the procedure that litigants, courts, and witnesses are to follow when discovery is taken in California for purposes of an out-of-state proceeding. The existing statute is ambiguous and confusing, and has resulted in varying practices in courts around the state, including uncertainty about the fees to be charged and the process for resolving disputes. As noted by the sponsor, the reforms in AB 2193 will not only benefit litigants in out-of-state proceedings, but will also assist California court personnel, process servers, witnesses, and others affected by application of the bill's provisions.

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July 15, 2008

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

Subject:

AB 2193 (Tran) - Request for Signature

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 2193, which enacts the Interstate and International Depositions and Discovery Act, effective January 1, 2010.

The Judicial Council supports AB 2193 because it will provide clear guidance on the procedure that litigants, courts and witnesses are to follow when discovery is taken in California for purposes of an out-of-state proceeding. The existing statute is ambiguous and confusing, and has resulted in varying practices in courts around the state, including uncertainty about the fees to be charged and the process for resolving disputes. As noted by the California Law Revision Commission, which is the sponsor of the bill, the reforms in AB 2193 will not only benefit litigants in out-of-state proceedings, but will also assist California court personnel, process servers, witnesses, and others affected by application of the bill's provisions.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council requests your signature on AB 2193.

Sincerely.

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