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April 16, 2015

Hon. Ling Ling Chang Member of the Assembly State Capitol, Room 3149 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 432 (Chang), as amended March 25, 2015 – Support

Dear Assembly Member Chang:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 432, which aligns the Code of Civil Procedure with the Rules of Court that define "electronic signature" and authorizes their use by courts and judicial officers. The bill also defines "electronic signature" to mean an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or logically associated with an electronic record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign the electronic record. In addition, AB 432 provides that an electronic signature by a court or judicial officer shall be effective as an original signature.

Clarifying and reinforcing the use of electronic signatures in connection with the issuance of court orders, will increase the ability of the courts to operate in an efficient manner.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 432.

Sincerely,

Daniel Pone Senior Attorney

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cc: Ms. June Clark, Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary, Office of the Governor Mr. Larry Doyle, Legislative Representative, Conference of California Bar Associations



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May 28, 2015

Hon. Hannah-Beth Jackson, Chair Senate Judiciary Committee State Capitol, Room 2032 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject:

AB 432 (Chang), as amended March 25, 2015 – Support

Hearing:

Senate Judiciary Committee – June 9, 2015

Dear Senator Jackson:

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June 22, 2015

Hon. Edmund G. Brown, Jr. Governor of California State Capitol, First Floor Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 432 (Chang), as amended March 25, 2015 – Request for Signature

Dear Governor Brown:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 432, which aligns the Code of Civil Procedure with the Rules of Court that define "electronic signature" and authorizes their use by courts and judicial officers. The bill also defines "electronic signature" to mean an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or logically associated with an electronic record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign the electronic record. In addition, AB 432 provides that an electronic signature by a court or judicial officer shall be effective as an original signature.

Clarifying and reinforcing the use of electronic signatures in connection with the issuance of court orders will increase the ability of the courts to operate in an efficient manner.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council respectfully requests your signature on AB 432.

Sincerely,

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