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April 9, 2015

Hon. Richard Bloom Member of the Assembly State Capitol, Room 2003 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject:

AB 703 (Bloom), as amended March 23, 2015 - Support

Dear Assembly Member Bloom:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 703, which requires the council to adopt rules of court establishing the minimum training and education hours, or alternative recent experience, for an attorney to be appointed as counsel in delinquency proceedings. Upon AB 703's passage, the council will work with delinquency defense attorneys, judges, and other justice partners, including child development experts, in the development of these rules.

AB 703 will harmonize the training requirements for attorneys representing children in both delinquency and dependency proceedings. Attorneys in delinquency cases need specialized training specific to child and adolescent development, special education, and other areas where delinquency differs from general criminal defense, in order to effectively represent children in these proceedings. These changes are long overdue.

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For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 703.

Sincerely,

Alan Herzfeld
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cc: Mr. Roger Chan, East Bay Children's Law Center

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April 9, 2015

Hon. Jimmy Gomez, Chair Assembly Appropriations Committee State Capitol, Room 2114 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 703 (Bloom), as amended March 23, 2015 - Support

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cc: Members, Assembly Appropriations Committee

Hon. Richard Bloom, Member of the Assembly

Mr. Roger Chan, East Bay Children's Law Center

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June 2, 2015

Hon. Loni Hancock, Chair Senate Public Safety Committee State Capitol, Room 2082 Sacramento, California 95814

Subject:

AB 703 (Bloom), as amended April 13, 2015 - Support

Hearing:

Senate Public Safety Committee – June 9, 2015

Dear Senator Hancock:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 703, which requires the council to adopt rules of court establishing the minimum training and education hours, or alternative recent experience, for an attorney to be appointed as counsel in delinquency proceedings. Upon AB 703's passage, the council will work with delinquency defense attorneys, judges, and other justice partners, including child development experts, in the development of these rules.

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For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 703.

Hon. Loni Hancock June 2, 2015 Page 2

Sincerely,

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cc: Members, Senate Public Safety Committee

Hon. Richard Bloom, Member of the Assembly

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September 3, 2015

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

Subject: AB 703 (Bloom) – Request for Signature

Dear Governor Brown:

The Judicial Council is pleased to support AB 703, which requires the council to adopt rules of court establishing the minimum training and education hours, or alternative recent experience, for an attorney to be appointed as counsel in delinquency proceedings. Should AB 703 be signed into law, the council will work with delinquency defense attorneys, judges, and other justice partners, including child development experts, in the development of these rules.

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For these reasons, the Judicial Council requests your signature on AB 703.

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Sincerely,

Cory Jasperson

Director

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cc: Hon. Richard Bloom, Member of the Assembly

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