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June 14, 2005

Hon. Joseph Dunn, Chair
Senate Judiciary Committee
State Capitol, Room 2080
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 1035 (Spitzer), as amended May 16, 2005 – Support
Hearing: Senate Judiciary Committee – June 28, 2005

Dear Senator Dunn:

The Judicial Council supports AB 1035, which prohibits any person from knowingly (1) posting on the Internet, (2) hosting or providing service to an Internet Web site that posts, or (3) disclosing an official's home address or telephone number.

Increased ability to access home address information poses a threat to judges and other public safety officials and their families. An independent judiciary depends on a judge being able to make decisions free from fear of retribution. This bill would provide public safety officials with an important tool to assist them in protecting their own and their family's privacy and safety.

For these reasons, the Judicial Council supports AB 1035.

Sincerely,



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April 29, 2005

Hon. Todd Spitzer
Member of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2111
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 1035 (Spitzer), as amended April 20, 2005 - Support

Dear Assembly Member Spitzer:

The Judicial Council supports AB 1035, which prohibits any state or local agency from hosting or providing service to an Internet web site that posts an official's home address or telephone number, or discloses the location thereof.

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