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The revised Standards are a necessary response to the crises facing public defense. Survey after survey shows that not as many new attorneys are entering the public defense field because the workload is too high, compensation is too low, and adequate support is not available. For the same reasons, attorneys, many with decades of experience, are leaving at increasingly high rates. The revised Standards lower workloads and require reasonable compensation for all public defense providers. Please support the proposed standards for indigent defense!

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