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To the Washington State Supreme Court,

I am a concerned Seattle resident emailing you in support of lowering caseload burdens on our public defenders. Several of my close acquaintances are pursuing a legal career or are practicing attorneys, and I know that having ample time to review cases, conduct research, prepare for trial, and meet with clients are critical to ensuring appropriate justice is delivered in our legal system. Our public defenders often act as a first, and last, line of defense against vigilante-like punishment for low-level crimes and biased policing and prosecution systems. It is critical that these public defenders are not overworked so that they can continue to deliver quality legal services to Washingtonians who rely on their time, expertise, and compassion.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter,

Grace Liatti
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