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Hello,

My name is Inna Scott, WSBA #46864. I am in support of improving caseload standards for Washington's public defenders. I am in immigration attorney and most of the immigrant community I serve requires the assistance of public defenders. Public defenders who don't have sufficient time to adequately prepare their cases and get to know their clients often overlook immigration issues, which can lead to lifelong consequences for people who are trying to obtain legal status in the United States.

Please allow these public servants to have a manageable caseload, which will ultimately lead to their clients obtaining services they greatly need – and hopefully to less recidivism.

Sincerely,

Inna Scott