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Dear Justices of the Court,

I am writing to urge you to support the proposed indigent defense standards.

Equal protection under the law requires that a defendant, regardless of their ability to pay, will get similar representation in a court of law, and having reasonable caseload standards for our public defenders is essential for this to happen. Recruiting and retaining qualified and experienced attorneys for this work should be a high priority and having reasonable caseload standards will go a long way to ensure this will happen.

I am a willing taxpayer, who wants my taxes to go to helping people in my community. I want to live in a society where the rich and the poor are both subject to the same letter of the law, and we need the same level of representation in the courts to make this happen. Again, I am asking that you support the proposed indigent defense standards.

Respectfully,

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