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To whom it may concern,

I am writing today to urge you to adopt the new case standards for public defenders. I know a number of prospective public defenders and practicing public defenders, and they are some of the most passionate, hard working people I know. However, the caseload at present leads to burnout and a reduction of attention to each client. I think that lowering the caseload would benefit both parties and public defenders, and I would strongly recommend that this standard be adopted.

Best,

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