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> Re: Judicial Conference – WCBA Response

Dear Judge Grant:

The Warren County Bar Association ("WCBA") has followed with great interest the debate following the State v. Andujar case, as well as the Judicial Conference on Jury Selection. After careful consideration, the Warren County Bar Association joins without reservation or further comment the November 2, 2021 report entitled "Report on Bias in the Jury Selection Process" issued by the Middlesex County Bar Association Ad Hoc Committee on Jury Selection Practices" ("MCBA"). The WCBA finds that the MCBA report is well reasoned, and the WCBA joins in the questions contained therein. The questions are important to consider when undertaking jury selection reform. Like the MCBA, the WCBA believes diverse representation on juries is fundamental to the pursuit of justice in the State of New Jersey.

Thank you for the consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Cc: Hon. Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, NJ Supreme Court

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