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SENT VIA FAX AND U.S. MAIL

April 19, 2004

Senator Dianne Feinstein
United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

RE: State Bar of Arizona Position on Bills Regarding Ninth Circuit

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Thank you for your letter of April 8, 2004, requesting the position of the State Bar of Arizona regarding S.2278, S.562 and H.R. 2723. The Arizona Board of Governors considered your letter at its regular meeting on April 16, 2004, and voted to affirm its previous position, that we oppose any split of the Ninth Circuit. I have enclosed a copy of the letter dated October 17, 2003, which describes our previous and continuing position.

We have convened a study committee of the State Bar to review issues related to such pending legislation. Should there be other bills or issues arising in the future on this topic, we would be happy to consider them through the auspices of this committee.

Very truly yours,

Pamela A. Treadwell-Rubin
President

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Enclosure: Copy of Letter Dated October 17, 2003

cc: Members of the Board of Governors
Teresa J. Schmid, Executive Director