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Honorable Harry Hull Rules and Projects Chair Judicial Council of California 914 Capitol Mall Sacramento, CA 95815

Re: Request for Meeting to Discuss the Review of Our Proposals

by the Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee

Dear Justice Hull:

I am writing to request a meeting with you to discuss the status of the work being done by the Probate and Mental Health Advisory Committee in connection with proposals submitted to it by Spectrum Institute.

We are pleased that the review of those proposals was placed on the committee's 2016 agenda. I noticed that there was an action item on the agenda for its November 2016 meeting that pertained to those proposals.

I will be making a presentation at the Public Policy Conference of The Arc of California in Sacramento on March 26, 2017 and will be available to meet with public officials on March 27. Five of my colleagues at Spectrum Institute will join me in these meetings.

Dr. Nora Baladerian and I enjoyed our previous meeting with you at your office in the courthouse. She and I would like to have the other four project advisors who are with us that day join us in a meeting with you. One is a parent of someone in a limited conservatorship. Another is a researcher who has written on the topic of regional centers and their role in limited conservatorships. The other two are volunteers who help us out in various ways.

I look forward to your reply and hope that we can arrange a mutually agreeable time to meet on March 27.

Respectfully submitted:

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