IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF THE REVIEW OF ISSUES CONCERNING REPRESENTATION OF INDIGENT DEFENDANTS IN CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY CASES.

ADKT No. 411

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ORDER

WHEREAS, this court concurred in the request of Washoe County and Clark County to complete a weighted caseload study; and

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2009, the Spangenberg Group submitted the final report of the caseload study ordered by this court; and

WHEREAS, this court conducted a public hearing on October 6, 2009, regarding the report of the Spangenberg Group; and

WHEREAS, this court has determined that the Indigent Defense Commission should further examine caseload standards for public defenders, taking into consideration the Spangenberg report, questions raised and presentations made at the public hearing concerning the report, and written submissions provided to the court since the hearing on October, 6, 2009; accordingly

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the matter of caseload standards is referred back to the Indigent Defense Commission to review and study the oral presentations made to this court at the hearing conducted on October 6, 2009, and the written submissions received by this court after the hearing; and

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Indigent Defense Commission shall provide its evaluation and recommendations concerning caseload standards to this court within 180 days of the date of this order.

Dated this //that day of December, 2009.

Hardesty, C.J.

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cc: Members of the Indigent Defense Commission

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