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Budget Committee
Probate Administration
186 Newington Road
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Reference: Probate Clerks' Benefits

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Committee:

As a recent addition to the team of clerks and assistant clerks for the probate court system I have concerns over the outcome of your deliberations for the clerks' benefits package.

I left a 17-year employment for a position as an assistant clerk. In accepting the position I negotiated a salary and benefits package with my Judge and am saddened to learn that it appears from the proposal that my vacation benefits will be altered and my salary may be determined at a later date.

I have been a professional for thirty years and have worked hard to achieve a salary and vacation level that I, and my family, appreciate. It was expressed at meetings that jobs would not be lost and nothing would be taken away from clerks. With the proposal before us, I am now fearful.

I respectfully request that you reconsider grandfathering a current employee's benefits package.

Sincerely,


Lori Crandall Macri

cc: Judge Dianne Yamin
Judge Joseph Marino
Mary MacGregor, President - CAPC