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Patrick J. Wall, Judge

March 18, 2010

Probate Court Budget Committee
Office of the Probate Court Administrator
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Dear Members of the Probate Court Budget Committee:

As a member of the Executive Committee, I was present at the Committee's meeting on March 16, 2010 when new regulations concerning Probate Recording Methods were adopted.

These new requirements are in addition to the many other staff intensive activities that court personnel currently handle on a daily basis. I urge you to consider these factors when calculating staffing levels for the new Litchfield Hills Probate District as well as the fact that the district encompasses the largest geographical area in the state, serving twelve towns and with two separate court facilities. These factors necessitate a minimum of four full-time equivalent positions or 160 hours of service.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Patrick J. Wall