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Sidney R. Thomas, Chief Judge
United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
The James R. Browning Courthouse
Office of the Circuit Executive
95 Seventh Street, Suite 429
San Francisco CA 94103

Dear Chief Judge Thomas:

This letter is written to you in your capacity as Chair of the Judicial Council of the Ninth Circuit. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2071(c)(1), the enclosed Petition asks the Council to review a decision of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California declining to amend its Local Rule 11-1(b) to delete the requirement that applicants for admission to the Bar of that Court must also be active members of the California Bar. An electronic version of this Petition and supporting papers are being provided by email to the Circuit Executive's office.

Respectfully submitted,



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