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Dear Ms. Aiken:

The Conference of State Court Administrators (COSCA) is very interested in maintaining its relationship with the Consortium for Language Access in the Courts. To that end, we are continuing the practice of appointing a member to serve as a liaison to your organization. The 2010-11 liaison will be:

Hon. Patricia W. Griffin
State Court Administrator
Administrative Office of the Courts
1 South Race Street
Georgetown, DE 19947

We anticipate that Ms. Griffin will attend your future meetings, be available to answer questions about COSCA and also be prepared to make brief presentations and discuss with you national policy issues of importance to COSCA. We hope that you will invite Ms. Griffin, in addition to our president, to your future meetings. COSCA of course will pay all expenses and registration fees for Ms. Griffin. We anticipate that the president will continue to attend whenever possible, but want to ensure that COSCA has a consistent, long-term relationship with your association.

We hope that the appointment of this liaison is acceptable to you, as we believe it is extremely important for associations connected to the court community to work closely with each other to improve our judicial system. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Consortium for Language Access in the Courts

The mission of the Consortium is to inspire and enable its members to promote equal access to justice in courts and tribunals by eliminating language barriers for persons with limited English proficiency.

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October 27, 2010

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Dear Ms. Judson:

On behalf of the Consortium for Language Access in the Courts' Executive Committee, I am writing to thank you for your letter dated October 14, 2010. We sincerely appreciate COSCA's reappointment of Patricia Griffin as the liaison to the Consortium. She has been very helpful to our organization and it is difficult to express how thankful we are for her continuing commitment to our mission and her involvement in our activities.

I also want to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to COSCA for its most recent commitment to the Consortium's long-term sustainability by adjusting the method by which the Consortium's annual supplemental fees are calculated. We are all aware just how difficult it has been for the state courts in the past few years and that action clearly illustrates COSCA's commitment to providing meaningful access to court services for all people.

The Consortium is dedicated to working and collaborating with COSCA members now and into the future. As you mentioned in your letter, the Consortium is looking forward to its 2011 business meeting which is scheduled for April 3-6 in Las Vegas, Nevada. We will be delighted if you can join us for this meeting and address the membership. If you are interested in attending, we will provide you with a draft agenda and you can decide if you would like to attend part or all of the meeting. Please contact Wanda Romberger if you would like to review the agenda (wromberger@ncsc.org).

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Brenda Aiken, Chair
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