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The Honorable Wilhelmina Rolark
Chairperson
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Dear Councilmember Rolark:

The Real Estate, Housing and Land Use Division (Division 15) of the District of Columbia Bar urges the Judiciary Committee to include funding for the Multi-Door Courthouse Program in the Fiscal Year 1986 budget for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. The Program performs a valuable service for the citizens of the District. It recognizes that there is a less costly and time-consuming alternative to litigation to resolve disputes. Another advantage is that a substantial number of disputes may be diverted from the Court's already congested docket.

Division 15 believes it is appropriate for the Council to continue the life of this test program. Because continued funding by the American Bar Association is limited, it will be necessary for the Council to act in order to continue this promising experiment. The Steering Committee of Division 15 believes the Program deserves a chance to demonstrate its value and therefore urges the Council to provide the necessary funding in the Court's 1986 budget.

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Sincerely,

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