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Dear Colleague:

Do you want to increase funding for your program and other providers of legal services to the poor?

As you know, last year the Governor signed A.B. 2301, authored by the Assembly Judiciary Committee chaired by Dave Jones. At the end of this year, all attorneys, when paying their annual State Bar of California dues, can make a voluntary contribution to a new *Justice Gap Fund*. These new funds will go to existing IOLTA recipients.

The more lawyers who contribute to the Justice Gap Fund in their dues bill, the more funds will be available to serve unmet legal needs throughout the state.

Contact your board members and private attorney volunteers. Help them spread the word through their law firms and to others to support the Justice Gap Fund and make the voluntary contribution. Donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law and can help attorneys meet their pro bono ethical goals.

We include a brochure to inform your supporters and help them spread the word to those less familiar with the unmet legal needs of the poor, and how California stacks up to other states in providing funds for equal justice.

For more information, go to this website:

<http://calbar.org/justicegapfund>.

Thanks for your support.

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