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Testimony of Travis W. Finck, Executive Director, NDCLCI

Madam Chair Larson, members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, my name is Travis
Finck and I am the Executive Director for the North Dakota Commission on Legal Counsel for
Indigents. The Commission is the state agency responsible for the delivery of indigent defense
services in North Dakota. I rise today on behalf of the Commission to provide testimony in
support of SCR 4006.

The Commission's constitutional mission can really be summed up as protecting individual liberty against the great weight of the government. Our attorneys ensure due process before their client's liberty interests can be taken, whether that be their freedom, their right to parent children, or their right to be free from unreasonable search and seizure to name a few. As technology has evolved, so too must our protections wherein we should expect privacy. The Commission feels it would be appropriate to pass this resolution and allow the voters of the state of North Dakota to express their expectations of privacy.

Madam Chair, members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, for the reasons stated herein, the Commission on Legal Counsel supports SCR 4006.

Respectfully Submitted:

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