

**CONFERENCE OF CHIEF JUSTICES
CONFERENCE OF STATE COURT ADMINISTRATORS**

Resolution 6

**In Support of *SecureCourts Pilot Project*,
An initiative of the ABA Standing Committee on Judicial Independence**

WHEREAS, the Conference of Chief Justices and the Conference of State Court Administrators adopted Resolution 5 in Support of the Importance of Court Security in February 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Conference of Chief Justices adopted Resolution 6 In Support of ABA Resolution 106 regarding Funding for Court Security at its midyear meeting on January 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the ABA House of Delegates adopted Resolution 106 regarding Court Security on February 10, 2014; and

WHEREAS, ABA Resolution 106 urges the adoption of laws and policies supporting the adequate funding of security protocols for courts; and

WHEREAS, ABA Resolution 106 urges courts to review and revise protocols to maintain security in our courts; and

WHEREAS, ABA Resolution 106 encourages the development of bar and lawyer resources to educate and train justice system participants to increase their awareness and effectiveness in identifying and responding to potential security threats to our courts; and

WHEREAS, the efficient administration of justice and preservation of the rule of law are dependent upon both public confidence and public safety; and

WHEREAS, *SecureCourts* is an initiative of the ABA Standing Committee on Judicial Independence designed to assist in the implementation of the ideas and aspirations of ABA Resolution 106 by engaging the interest and participation of the bar in court security;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conference of Chief Justices and the Conference of State Court Administrators endorse the piloting of the *SecureCourts* initiative that encourages the coordination and cooperation of justice system participants and stakeholders in measures that contribute to the shared goal of safe and secure courts.

Adopted as proposed by the CCJ/COSCA Security and Emergency Preparedness Committee at the CCJ 2014 Annual Meeting.