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The Honorable Vaughn R. Walker Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court Northern District of California Courtroom 6, 17th Floor 450 Golden Gate Ave. San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Case No. 09-CV-02292-VRW

Perry, et al v. Schwarzenegger, et al

Dear Chief Judge Walker:

On behalf of ABC News, KGO-TV, KABC-TV, Cable News Network, In Session (formerly known as "Court TV"), Fox News, NBC News, CBS News, Hearst Corporation, publisher of the *San Francisco Chronicle* and SFGate.com, and Dow Jones & Company, Inc. (the "Media Coalition"), we write to inform the Court of the Media Coalition's interest to provide camera coverage to broadcast and webcast the upcoming trial proceedings in this matter. On behalf of the Media Coalition, experienced personnel from In Session are prepared to provide gavel to gavel "pooled" coverage.

As the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals only last week authorized the use of cameras in the District Courts, the Media Coalition appreciates that there are currently no procedures in place for such coverage and understands that the Court may want the Media Coalition to file a formal motion for access. If that is needed, the Media Coalition respectfully requests that the Court issue a briefing schedule.

We appreciate the Court's attention to this matter and look forward to the opportunity to provide coverage of these historic proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP for the Media Coalition

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