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In re A.N., a Person Coming Under the Juvenile Court Law

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Case No. S242494

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

Plaintiff and Respondent,

v.

A.N.,

Defendant and Appellant.

Second Appellate District, Case No. B275914 Ventura County Superior Court, Case No. 2015040294 The Honorable William R. Redmond, Commissioner

RESPONDENT'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF

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This case presents questions of statutory construction governing when juvenile court proceedings can be instituted to declare a juvenile a habitual truant. Welfare and Institutions Code section 601 addresses the scope of juvenile court jurisdiction over truants.

The People note that the Legislature is currently considering AB 901, which would amend section 601. The bill was first introduced on February 20, 2019. (See https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml ?bill_id=201920200AB901> [as of Jan. 24, 2020].) It was last amended on September 6, 2019. (*Ibid.*)

As currently drafted, AB 901 would remove subdivision (b) of section 601, thereby eliminating juvenile court jurisdiction over truants. Likewise, the bill would remove Welfare and Institutions Code section 258, subsection (b), which addresses procedures and limitations for truancy hearings. If the current version of AB 901 is enacted into law, the amended statutes would become operative on July 1, 2021.

Dated: January 24, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY OVERNIGHT COURIER

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I declare:

I am employed in the Office of the Attorney General, which is the office of a member of the California State Bar, at which member's direction this service is made. I am 18 years of age or older and not a party to this matter; my business address is: 300 South Spring Street, Suite 1702, Los Angeles, CA 90013.

On <u>January 24, 2020</u>, I served the attached **RESPONDENT'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF** by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with the **Golden State Overnight**, addressed as follows:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on January 24, 2020, at Los Angeles, California.

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Declarant

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