RESOLVED, That the American Bar Association urges federal, state, local, tribal and territorial governments to ensure that juveniles are provided effective appellate representation and have access to appeals consistent with state statutes and/or state constitutional provisions by:

1. Providing training for judges and attorneys in juvenile court to recognize that in the representation of the juvenile, the control and direction of the case is the same as in the representation of a criminal defendant;
2. Providing adequate resources so that juveniles, including those qualifying for public defender services, have access to effective appellate representation;
3. Providing timely appellate review, expedited when necessary, within the timeframe that the juvenile is completing the court-ordered disposition, particularly in cases where youth are confined; and
4. Collecting data on the rate of juvenile delinquency appeals to identify institutional barriers to appellate representation and possible internal geographical disparities in state juvenile appellate practice.