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Clerk of the Wisconsin Supreme Court Att: Deputy Clerk – Rules Petitions P.O. Box 1688 Madison, WI 53701

RE: Proposed Changes to SCR 50 Relating to Student Practice

Dear Honorable Justices of the Supreme Court:

I address you as Chief Judge of the Eighth Judicial District. I write in support of proposed expansions of SCR-50 known as the Student Practice Rule. I support the changes in the Rule because it would broaden the opportunities for clinical education for law students and for successful graduates from out-of-state law schools as they prepare for taking the Wisconsin Bar exam. I believe clinical practice under the supervision of experienced attorneys would be beneficial for the students but also very beneficial for the Bar in general and in particular may well increase opportunities for student practice in Northeast Wisconsin where there is a great shortage of new attorneys and where such clinical programs could be of benefit both to the students and to the public and Court system in Northeast Wisconsin. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

James A. Morrison

Chief Judge

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