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Clerk of the Wisconsin Supreme Court Attn: Deputy Clerk-Rules Petitions PO Box 1688 Madison, WI 53701

Re: Rule Petition 20-04, relating to the proposed changes to SCR Chapter 50

Dear Honorable Justices of the Supreme Court,

I am writing to inform the Supreme Court that the judges of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals support the Wisconsin Access to Justice Commission's proposed revision to SCR 50, commonly known as the Student Practice Rule. The proposed revision will increase the opportunity for the practical training of law students which serves the interests of the entire judicial system, including appellate courts. The revision allowing out-of-state law graduates to work in clinics under the supervision of experienced attorneys not only enhances the graduate's preparation to practice law in Wisconsin but increases access to affordable legal services for the underserved in our judicial system. Thank you for consideration of the Court of Appeals' support for the petition.

Sincerely yours,

Lira S. Neubauch

Lisa S. Neubauer Chief Judge