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To: Interested Persons – See Attached List

Re: Rule Petition 22-05, In the Matter of amendment of Supreme Court Rules 20:1.15 and 20:1.0, Relating to Electronic Banking

Greetings:

I am assisting the Wisconsin Supreme Court with its consideration of rule petition 22-05, filed on July 15, 2022 by the Office of Lawyer Regulation Director Timothy Samuelson and Trust Account Program Administrator Travis J. Stiern. The petition asks the court to amend SCR 20:1.15 and 20:1.0 to permit electronic transactions in lawyer trust accounts.

You have received this letter because you or your agency or organization potentially have an interest in this matter. A copy of the petition can be found on the court's website at <https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/pending/2205.htm>

At a closed conference on November 29, 2022, the court discussed this matter and voted to obtain written comments and conduct a public hearing at a date to be determined in early 2023. Please note, the court may take any action on a rule petition it deems appropriate, including any of the following:

- (a) Adopt the rule proposed, or a modified version, without further comment.
- (b) Reject the rule proposed without further comment.
- (c) Refer the rule petition to another entity for its review and recommendation.
- (d) Request further information or analysis from the petitioner or interested persons or entities.

Any comment to the rule petition should be filed by December 30, 2022, with the Clerk of Supreme Court, Attention: Deputy Clerk-Rules, P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688. Please also email a Microsoft Word version of your comment to clerk@wicourts.gov. See comment guidelines at the court's website at <https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/process.htm>. The petitioner may file any response to the comments by January 13, 2023.

You might wish to consult the court's website at <https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/pending/index.htm> to follow this rule petition. Court communications on the petition and any written comments filed with the clerk's office will be posted on the website.

If you have specific questions or other comments with regard to this matter, please contact me by mail at P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688; by telephone at 608-266-7442; or by email at tim.barber@wicourts.gov.

Very truly yours,

/s/

Timothy M. Barber
Supreme Court Commissioner

cc: Chief Justice Annette Kingsland Ziegler
Justice Ann Walsh Bradley
Justice Patience Drake Roggensack
Justice Rebecca Grassl Bradley
Justice Rebecca Frank Dallet
Justice Brian Hagedorn
Justice Jill J. Karofsky
Timothy Samuelson, Director, Office of Lawyer Regulation
Travis J. Stiern, Trust Account Program Administrator,
Office of Lawyer Regulation

List of Interested Persons for Supreme Court

Badger State Sheriffs' Association, Attention: Executive Director
Board of Administrative Oversight, Attention: Denis Donohoe, Chair
Board of Bar Examiners
Chief Circuit Court Judges
Circuit Court Judges
Clerk of Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, Sheila T. Reiff
Court of Appeals, Attention: Chief Staff Attorney
Court of Appeals Judges
Court Operations: Diane M. Fremgen, Deputy Director of State Courts, Court Operations
Court Operations: Ann Olson, Krista Miller, Amber Peterson, Beth Barroilhet
Dean Dietrich, Attorney
Department of Administration, State Prosecutors Office, Attention: Kasey Diess, Director
Department of Justice, Attention: Attorney General Josh Kaul
Director of State Courts, Honorable Randy Koschnick
District Court Administrators
Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, Attention: Katy Borowski, Executive Director
Hamilton Consulting Group, Attention: Rebecca Hogan, R.J. Pirlot, Adam Jordahl
Legal Action of Wisconsin, Attention: Deedee Peterson, Executive Director
Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, Attention: Colleen Foley, Executive Director
Marquette University Law School, Attention: Joseph D. Kearney, Dean
Office of Lawyer Regulation, Attention: Timothy Samuelson, Director
Office of State Public Defender, Attention: Kelli S. Thompson
Office of State Public Defender, Attention: Jeremy C. Perri
Office of the Attorney General, Attention: Terri Surita
State Bar of Wisconsin, Attention: Larry Martin, Executive Director
State Bar of Wisconsin, Attention: Lisa Roys, Public Affairs Director
State Bar of Wisconsin, Attention: Margaret W. Hickey, President
University of Wisconsin Law School, Attention: Daniel Tokaji, Dean
Western District Bar Association of Wisconsin, Attention: Ann Peacock
Wisconsin Asian American Bar Association, Attention: Bryant Park
Wisconsin Association for Justice, Attention: Bryan Roessler, Executive Director
Wisconsin Association of African American Lawyers
Wisconsin Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Attention: Peter McKeever
Wisconsin Association of Judicial Court Commissioners, Attention: Susan Schaubel
Wisconsin Bankers Association, Attention: Kris Cleven, Vice President-Legal
Wisconsin Clerks of Circuit Court Association, Attention: Regina Kolbow, Carlo Esqueda
Wisconsin Counties Association, Attention: Marcie Rainbolt
Wisconsin Defense Counsel, Attention: Jenni Kilpatrick, Executive Director;
Andrew Hebl, President
Wisconsin District Attorneys Association, Attention: Greta Mattison, Executive Director
Wisconsin Family Court Commissioners Association, Attention: David Pruhs, Exec. Secretary
Wisconsin Hispanic Lawyers Association, Attention: Pamela M. Ritger
Wisconsin Judicare, Inc., Attention: Beth Ann Richlen, Executive Director
Wisconsin Judicial Commission, Attention: Jeremiah VanHecke
Wisconsin Judicial Council, Attention: William C. Gleisner, III, Chair
Wisconsin Juvenile Court Clerks Association, Attention: Samuel Christensen
Wisconsin Municipal Judges Association, Attention: Honorable Robert Kupfer
Wisconsin Newspaper Association, Attention: Beth Bennett, Executive Director
Wisconsin Registers in Probate Association
Wisconsin Sheriffs & Deputy Sheriffs Association, Attention: Sandy Schueller

Wisconsin State Attorneys Association, Attention: John Gelhard
Wisconsin Trial Judges Association, Attention: Honorable Gregory Gill, Jr.
Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association, Attention: Honorable Gwendolyn Topping, President

Additional List of Interested Persons

Attorney Dean Dietrich (Disciplinary Respondents' Counsel and President-Elect of the State Bar of Wisconsin)

Attorney Diane Diel (Family Law Practitioner, Past President of the State Bar of Wisconsin)

Michele Barlow (Mid-Atlantic ACH Association - MACHA, formerly the Wisconsin ACH Association)

Attorney Tim Pierce (State Bar Ethics Counsel)

Attorney Aviva Kaiser (State Bar Ethics Counsel)

Rebecca Murray (Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation)

Tehmina Islam (Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation)

Lawyer Regulation System Board of Administrative Oversight

Board of the Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation

State Bar of Wisconsin Professional Ethics Committee

Attorney J. David Krekeler (Chairperson of the Solo, Small Firm & General Practice Section, State Bar of Wisconsin)

Attorney Helen Ludwig (Chairperson of the Bankruptcy, Insolvency & Creditors Rights Section, State Bar of Wisconsin)

Attorney Michael O'Hear (Chairperson of the Criminal Law Section, State Bar of Wisconsin)