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Re: Supreme Court Rule Petition 10-06

Greetings,

I am assisting the Wisconsin Supreme Court with its consideration of rule petition 10-06 filed by the Director of State Courts on behalf of the Committee of Chief Judges and District Court Administrators. The petition was filed in response to the court's order dated December 11, 2009, in rule petition 09-05. (See S. Ct. Order 09-05, 2009 WI 104 (issued Dec. 11, 2009, eff. Jan. 1, 2010).) In that order the court directed the petitioners to collaborate with appellate practitioners and other interested parties to evaluate whether amendments to Wis. Stat. § 885.42(4) may be warranted. You have received this letter because you or your agency or organization has been identified as potentially having an interest in this matter. A copy of the petition can be found at the court's Web site at <http://wicourts.gov/scrules/pending.htm>.

Consistent with standard practice, the court has scheduled and will conduct a public hearing and an open administrative conference on Friday, November 5, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., to discuss this matter further.

Any comment to the rule petition should be filed by Friday, October 22, 2010, with the Clerk of Supreme Court, Attention: Carrie Janto, Deputy Clerk, P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688. If possible, e-mail a Microsoft Word version of your response to carrie.janto@wicourts.gov or clerk@wicourts.gov. See comment guidelines at the court's Web site at <http://wicourts.gov/scrules/petitioncomment.htm>.

If you are interested in appearing in person at the public hearing, please notify Carrie Janto, Deputy Clerk, by October 22, 2010, at carrie.janto@wicourts.gov or 608-261-4302.

You might wish to consult the court's Web site at <http://wicourts.gov/scrules/supreme.htm> to follow this rule petition. We hope to improve this Web site. CCAP staff is working to provide the court with the capability to post court communications about the petition and comments from interested parties.

If you have specific questions or other comments regarding this matter, please contact Susan Gray, c/o Office of the Director of State Courts, P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688 (telephone: 608-266-6708) (email: susan.gray@wicourts.gov).

Very truly yours,

/s/

Julie Anne Rich
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