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Clerk of the Supreme Court
Attn: Carrie Janto, Deputy Clerk
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Re: Rule Petition 13-06
Petition to amend SCR 22.12 Relating to Stipulations in Lawyer Disciplinary Proceedings

Dear Deputy Clerk Janto:

The more I become familiar with the Court's process for amending its rules, the more I realize that a statement of support may be almost as useful as an objection or a well-intended suggestion. Consequently, I write to support the petition. As a referee, if I were to receive a case for hearing that could have been resolved by a modification of a previously-proposed stipulation, I would lament the Court's inability to handle it in the manner proposed by the petition. The proposed change could save time and energy in appropriate cases, especially where the Court can indicate a modification that would make a slightly off-base stipulation acceptable.

Sincerely,



John Nicholas Schweitzer, Referee