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To: Clerk of Supreme Court <Clerk@wicourts.gov>
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Subject: Re: rules on conflicts of interest

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On Fri, Mar 31, 2017 at 8:32 AM, Clerk of Supreme Court <Clerk@wicourts.gov> wrote:

> If you would like your comments to be added to Rule Petition 17-01 In re:
> Rule for Recusal, please include your full name and address to your
> correspondence.

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> Formal comments to the petition will be posted on the court's website at:
> <https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/1701.htm>

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> Thank you, Clerk of Supreme Court

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> >>> Masaru Oka [REDACTED] > 3/31/2017 12:02 AM >>>

> I'm writing in support of a change of the rules for judicial recusal. Over
> the past several years, there have been a number of high-profile cases the
> Wisconsin Supreme Court has heard where involved parties have given
> significant campaign contributions to judges. Whether or not the donations
> influence the outcome is irrelevant. The court must maintain at the very
> least an image of impartiality, just as the news media does. If the people
> of Wisconsin don't trust the judgement of the court and feel it is being
> fair, our whole system of government falls apart. Please do the right thing
> and put it in writing that judges must recuse themselves in cases where a
> party has made campaign contributions.

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