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To: Interested Persons - See Attached List

Re: Rule Petition 19-22, In the Matter of Amending Supreme Court Rules 32.002, 32.01, 32.04, 32.05, 32.06, 32.07, 32.08 (1), 60.05 (8), 60.07 (2), 75.01, and 75.05 (3) Pertaining to Continuing Education for the Wisconsin Judiciary and Circuit Court Commissioners (Judicial Education Requirements)

Greetings:

I am assisting the Wisconsin Supreme Court with its consideration of rule petition 19-22, filed on November 8, 2019 by the Honorable Jason Rossell, on behalf of the Chief Judges' Subcommittee on Judicial Education (the Committee). The petition asks this court to amend several rules relating to judicial education. Among other things, would require every new circuit court judge to receive education on matters concerning child welfare, and would modify education credit requirements for reserve judges and part-time circuit court commissioners.

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.htm.

At the closed administrative rules conference on January 17, 2020, the court conducted a preliminary discussion of this matter and voted to obtain written comments. The court will decide whether to conduct a public hearing on this petition after reviewing the written comments it receives. 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) Schedule the rule petition for public hearing.
- (d) Refer the rule petition to another entity for its review and recommendation.
- (e) Request further information or analysis from the petitioner or interested persons or entities.

Any comment to the rule petition should be filed by February 20, 2020, with the Clerk of Supreme Court, Attention: Deputy Clerk-Rules, P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688. If possible,

email a Microsoft Word version of your response to *clerk@wicourts.gov*. *See* comment guidelines at the court's website at *https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/petitioncomment.htm*. The petitioner may file any response to the comments by March 5, 2020.

You might wish to consult the court's website at https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/supreme.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 regarding this matter, please contact me by mail at P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688, by telephone at 608-261-6642, or by email at *julie.rich@wicourts.gov*.

Very truly yours,
/s/
Julie Anne Rich
Supreme Court Commissioner

cc: Chief Justice Patience Drake Roggensack
Justice Ann Walsh Bradley
Justice Annette Kingsland Ziegler
Justice Rebecca Grassl Bradley
Justice Daniel Kelly
Justice Rebecca Frank Dallet
Justice Brian K. Hagedorn
Honorable Jason Rossell, Chair,
Chief Judges' Subcommittee on Judicial Education

List of Interested Persons for Supreme Court Rules Matters

Badger State Sheriffs Association, Attention: Executive Director

Board of Administrative Oversight, Attention: Joseph M. Russell, Chair

Board of Bar Examiners Chief Circuit Court Judges

Christian Gossett, Winnebago County District Attorney

Circuit Court Judges

Court of Appeals, Attention: Chief Staff Attorney

Court of Appeals Judges

Deputy Director of Court Operations, Diane M. Fremgen

Court Operations, Kat Carpenter

Court Operations, Ann Olson

Court Operations, Krista Miller

Dean Dietrich, Attorney

Clerk of Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, Sheila T. Reiff

Director of State Courts, Honorable Randy Koschnick

Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, Attention: Katy Borowski, Executive Director

Hamilton Consulting Group, Attention: Andrew C. Cook, Paige Scobee,

Rebecca Hogan and R.J. Pirlot

Legal Action of Wisconsin, Attention: David Pifer, Executive Director

Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, Attention: Colleen Foley, Executive Director

Marquette University Law School, Attention: Joseph D. Kearney

Office of Lawyer Regulation, Attention: Keith Sellen, 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: Jill M. Kastner, President

University of Wisconsin Law School, Attention: Margaret Raymond

Western District Bar Association of Wisconsin, Attention: Ann Peacock

Wisconsin Asian Bar Association, Attention: Rachel A. Retzke

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: Attorney John Knight

Wisconsin Bankers Association, Attention: Kris Cleven, Vice President-Legal

Wisconsin Clerks of Circuit Court Association, Attention: Penny Carter

Wisconsin Counties Association, Attention: Marcie Rainbolt

Wisconsin Defense Counsel, Attention: Jenni Kilpatrick, Executive Director

Wisconsin District Attorneys Association, Attention: Greta Mattison, Executive Director

Wisconsin Family Court Commissioners Association, Attention: David Pruhs, Exec. Secretary

Wisconsin Hispanic Lawyers Association, Attention: Cynthia Herber

Wisconsin Judicare, Inc., Attention: Kimberly Haas, Executive Director

Wisconsin Judicial Commission, Attention: Jeremiah VanHecke

Wisconsin Judicial Council, Attention: Thomas W. Bertz

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