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Ms. Faulk:

I have been a public defender with Associated Counsel for the Accused for twenty-two years practicing in a variety of courts and defending my clients against all types of charges. I am writing in support of the proposed change to CrR4.11 that would allow defense recording of witness interviews. I believe that there is nothing but good to come out of a recording that will keep those giving testimony from later denying their previous statements. Should a witness later wish to change or add to their statements they can do so even if they wish to do so radically. They would however be called upon to explain why which is only appropriate. Letting all parties know what all witnesses are reporting can only encourage settlement and avoid needless trials. I fail to see a downside to this proposed rule change.

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