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Washington State Supreme Court
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RE: Comments on Proposed Amendments to APR 11 – CLE Requirements

Good morning!

I am writing to encourage the Court to adopt the amendment to APR 11 eliminating the “live credit” requirement.

While I have enjoyed many “live” CLE’s, with today’s technology, there is really no need to be in the same room at the same time as the presenter or other participants from the standpoint of a quality learning experience.

I admit to being a bit of a technophobe, but have found on-line programs, such as the WSBA’s “Legal Lunchbox” series, to be excellent. One can interact with speakers in real time, on-line as easily as with a live lecturer in a conference center.

One recent positive experience that helped me overcome some of my technophobia was taking the Washington State University Master Gardener Certification training. The program combines live lecture, pre-recorded video lectures available on-line, and field work. Participants much pass a series of on-line quizzes before receiving certification.

Perhaps passing a course-related test will become a requirement for receiving CLE credits at some time in the future.

However, for now, the combination of eliminating the “live credit” requirement and oversight by the MCLE Board and WSBA of CLE program content is a good step forward.

Thank you for considering my input.

Sincerely,



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