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Good afternoon:

My name is Ann Vetter-Hansen and I am a Bellingham, Washington family law attorney. I have also been fortunate to serve a term on the Practice of Law Board.

The GR 9 Cover Sheet provides ample justification for the proposed enhancements to APR 28, the LLLT rule. Many of the proposed enhancements were recommended by the law professors who teach the family law class to the LLLTs and who have followed up on the implementation of the program.

The LLLT rule is the result of GR 25. The concept of a legal technician was developed by the Practice of Law Board, organized in 2002. The members of the POLB and the LLLT Board are thoughtful volunteers, like me, who have donated thousands of uncompensated hours to the vision and implementation of the program. The Court gave these good thoughtful people a task and the Court should trust their monumental effort and approve the enhancements as proposed by LLLT Board. This is a necessary step to make a modest but meaningful improvement to access to justice in our state.

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