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PROPORTIONALITY QUESTIONNAIRES

(a) Within 14 days after the entry of a judgment and sentence convicting a defendant of aggravated first degree murder, the prosecuting attorney and the defendant's attorney shall each complete a proposed questionnaire in the form specified in RCW 10.95.120. The proposed questionnaires shall be filed with the clerk of the trial court. Copies shall be provided to the court and served on the opposing attorney.

(b) The court shall consider the proposed questionnaires and all other information in the record. No hearing shall be held unless the court so directs. Within 30 days after the entry of the judgment and sentence, the court shall complete a final questionnaire. The questionnaire shall be submitted to the clerk of the Supreme Court, to the defendant or his or her attorney, and to the prosecuting attorney.

(c) Statements made by an attorney in a proposed questionnaire shall not be considered admissions. Statements made by the court in the final questionnaire shall not be considered findings of fact. The proposed questionnaires and the final questionnaire shall not be used by the parties or the courts for any purpose in connection with the case to which they pertain or any collateral proceeding involving the same defendant. They shall be used only in other cases, for the purpose of making the determination required by RCW 10.95.130(2).

(d) In any brief or memorandum, a questionnaire may be cited in the following format: first and last name of defendant, questionnaire number, county of conviction, year of sentencing. For example: "John Doe, no. 9 (Snohomish, 1982)."