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**From:** Heidi [heidi64@q.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 28, 2011 10:19 PM  
**To:** Camilla.Faulk@courts.wa.gov.  
**Subject:** Please REJECT CrR 4.11 - CORRECTED LETTER

Hello, my name is Heidi Wehde.

I am a sexual assault/major crimes victim advocate in the Spokane County Prosecutor's Office Victim Witness Unit.

I asking that the Court REJECT CrR 4.11.

Please consider victims' rights and dignity by continuing to allow them the **choice** as to whether they are recorded during defense interviews. I find, especially with victims of sexual assault, that being forced to submit to something such as being recorded subjects them to a re-victimization and loss of control, which is even worse when faced with the threat of be deposed, should they refuse.

It is often difficult for victims to go through the criminal process to begin with. It can be a long, arduous and often very emotional experience for many. It would benefit the people of the criminal justice system for them to keep the experience of the victims as positive as possible, with as great of a feeling of control as possible in the process. With the subjection to compulsory recording, I believe the experience will become a negative one for many victims and thus will hinder their future cooperation within the Justice System.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Heidi A. Wehde  
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