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Dear Members of the Supreme Court Rules Committee:

I am a Washington Certified Court Reporter, Certified Real Time Reporter, Certified Merit Reporter, and a Certified Manager of Reporting Services.
I am also an owner of YOM Full Service Court Reporting (Yamaguchi Obien Mangio), a Seattle-based court reporting firm.

I believe in providing equal and neutral terms to all litigants, and I believe the court rules must be respected and followed. I would urge you to pass CR 28 (d), (e), and 30(b) so that these court rules are strengthened and a mechanism is provided to ensure all parties are treated fairly as the current CR 28 (d) envisions. The courts are in the best position to bolster this rule because the courts are required to ensure equal access to justice and have the authority to sanction officers and parties before it.

CR 30 (b)(1). Adding one or two sentences to a deposition notice is a workable solution because it would simply be a disclosure requirement, similar to the requirement in FRCP 7.1 that corporate parties must disclose whether they are owned by any public entities.

Passage of these rule amendments will encourage transparency and help ensure that the principles set forth in CR 28(d) are actually complied with.

Opponents to the changes might say that there have been few complaints filed; however, court reporting charges are a pass-through to attorneys' clients. Often the invoices are not understood by the consumer well enough to know that they have been harmed by this unfair practice and that Washington Court Rules have been violated.

Respectfully,

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