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I am writing to comment on the proposed changes to CR 28(d), CR 28(e), and CR 30(b)(1), as they appear calculated to seek to improve transparency and strengthen our current court rules that require equal terms for all parties in a case.

I represent primarily individuals in employment/civil rights claims; individuals do not have the bargaining power that large corporate defendants do to leverage more favorable financial terms for the same transcript and services as the individuals are purchasing. Both parties are required for dispositive motions practice, which is used in almost every employment case to dispose of the plaintiff's claims, to order transcripts from the court reporter selected by the party taking the deposition.

It seems unjust for it to cost more for one party to obtain the information necessary to support motions which could dispose of an entire legal action than another.

Please implement the proposed changes.

Sincerely,

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