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I oppose the striking of the phrase, "only by agreement" in the proposed GR 30 amendment.

There is absolutely no way I could operate my law practice by having to constantly check my emails for documents that have been served on me electronically.

Being a sole practitioner, I choose my cases very carefully and choose which cases I can accept electronic service of documents. For instance, in a family law case with voluminous pleadings, I choose not to accept electronic service because I would spend hours a day printing out and organizing documents and exhibits from opposing counsel. However, on a minor traffic infraction case, I would not oppose to electronic receipt of documents if IRLJ timelines are followed.

What if the attorney does not have immediate internet access at all times during the day to accept electronic documents? What if the attorney chooses not to maintain an email address at all? How can the sending attorney verify the correct email address for the recipient?

I have a practice in my office to only check emails once a day. Otherwise, I would be in front of my email all day instead of accomplishing legal work for clients.

How would the court verify the email was received by the recipient when an issue of timeliness is raised?

Would email addresses from all 3rd party providers be accepted? Or, would an email address be established by the state bar for electronic service that would otherwise confirm receipt?

Absent many other issues being addressed appropriately, it would be bad practice in eliminate "only by agreement" from the proposed GR30 amendment.

Very Truly Yours,

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