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Good afternoon,

I am writing to voice some serious concerns to the proposed criminal rule changes. As a sex crimes and domestic violence prosecutor for the last four years, I am very concerned about how these changes would affect the victims we serve.

In particular: The recording requirements of CrR 3.7 would hinder the cooperation of marginalized victims and witnesses who may be reluctant to speak to police. The same is true for the changes to CrR 3.8 and 4.11. Regarding CrR 3.9, determination of whether an in-court identification procedure should be excluded is already adequately covered by case law – a more restrictive rule is unnecessary. The changes to CrR 4.7 are cumbersome and burdensome.

Regards,

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