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The Honorable Charles Johnson, Chair  
Supreme Court Rules Committee  
Temple of Justice  
PO Box 40929  
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VIA EMAIL

Dear Justice Johnson:

The Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (WACDL) supports the suggested changes to CrR 3.1, CrRLJ 3.1, and JuCR 9.3 as recommended by the Washington Defender Association (WDA). We support the reasoning in WDA's October 15, 2018 letter addressed to you. Ensuring that funding requests for experts be made ex-parte is essential to protecting a criminal defendant's right to expert assistance as well as ensuring a fair trial.

Sincerely,

/s/

Emily Gause  
Court Rules Committee Co-Chair

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## Tracy, Mary

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To Whom It May Concern:

Attached is a letter in regard to proposed changes to CrR 3.1 and JuCR 9.3. I'm submitting this on behalf of the Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

Sincerely,

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