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The Honorable Debra L. Stephens
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The Honorable Charles W. Johnson 415 12th Ave SW PO Box 40929 Olympia, WA 98504-0929 Sent via email: supreme@courts.wa.gov

Dear Chief Justice Stephens and Justice Johnson:

The Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) supports the proposed amendments to JISC Rule 13. We urge you to consider the importance of the proposed amendments to the availability of court information statewide. It is critical that both Washington attorneys and the public have access to complete, accurate court records.

Every day Washingtonians depend on access to information from courts all around the state, and it is also critical to the public safety of our citizens and their access to justice. We know that some courts already have their own case management systems, and still more are planning separate systems. Without a mechanism for those courts to reliably share information, we lose critical information that we and the people we serve need to ensure equal access to justice.

The proposed amendments to JISCR 13 provide a clear path for courts and AOC to plan for minimum disruption to statewide data sharing. They also make it clear that the JISC will settle any disagreements between courts and AOC on any temporary measures required to ensure that we and our clients continue to have information that is critical to fair and just outcomes.

That is why the proposed amendments to JISC Rule 13 are so important. Again, I urge you to pass the proposed amendments to protect the integrity of the information we depend on for the administration of justice.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kyle D. Sciuchetti

President, Washington State Bar Association

Cc: Hon. Barbara Madsen, JISC Chair Vicky Cullinane, AOC Business Liaison

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Dear Chief Justice Stephens and Justice Johnson, attached please find a letter from Pres. Kyle Sciuchetti expressing WSBA's support for proposed amendments to JISC Rule 13. Please accept my very sincere apologies for sending this after the deadline for comment as passed. It is entirely an administrative error on my part.

If possible, I hope you will still take into account our organization's support for this rule change.

Warmly,

Terra



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