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Along with my colleagues, I support the proposed changes to CR 39 that will allow judges discretion to conduct bench trials over videoconferencing. Videoconferencing reduces costs to litigants and witnesses, increases participation, and presents an opportunity to make our justice system more open and accessible.

Thank you, Hillary

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