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I am writing to provide my support for the amendment to CR 39 that would allow judges the discretion to conduct bench trials over videoconferencing vs. in person trials.

The ability to appear via videoconferencing makes it easier on litigants and witnesses to appear without the imposition of travel to and from the Courthouse and reduces costs to litigants and witnesses, increases participation, and makes our justice system more accessible to our citizens. If there was ever a good faith reason to have a witness or litigant(s) appear in person, I trust our judiciary to justly rule based on the merits asserted by the party moving for an in person trial.

The benefits of videoconferencing outweigh any perceived inconvenience or concerns re videoconferencing. Having participated in numerous “live” trials throughout my career and having now had the experience of “zoom” trials, I wholeheartedly support the amendment.

Thank you for your consideration.

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