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April 22, 2022

VIA EMAIL

Honorable Charles W. Johnson
Honorable Mary I. Yu
Supreme Court Rules Committee
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RE: Comment on Proposed Amendments to the General Rules; the Code of Judicial Conduct; the Discipline Rules for Judges; the Rules of Professional Conduct; the Admission to Practice Rules (LPO RPC, ELPOC); the Rules for Enforcement of Lawyer Conduct; and the Rules of Evidence

Dear Justice Johnson, Justice Yu, and Rules Committee Members:

On behalf of the District and Municipal Court Judges' Association (DMCJA), I am writing in support of the Consortium to Address Biased and Non-Inclusive Language in Court Rules' proposal to amend the General Rules; the Code of Judicial Conduct; the Discipline Rules for Judges; the Rules of Professional Conduct; the Admission to Practice Rules (LPO RPC, ELPOC); the Rules for Enforcement of Lawyer Conduct; and the Rules of Evidence. The DMCJA agrees with eliminating biased and non-inclusive language from the court rules and replacing such language with neutral language that does not change the substantive meaning of the rule.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Judge Charles D. Short
DMCJA President

cc: Judge Jeffrey Goodwin, DMCJA Rules Chair
Ms. J Benway, DMCJA Rules Staff

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Greetings,

Please see the attached letters intended as comments on the proposed amendments to CrRLJ 7.6; CrRLJ 3.1; CJC 2.3; CrRLJ 2.1; the CRLJ proposal; GR 26; GR 42; APR 9; CJC 2.2 & 2.6; CrR 3.3; and the Nonbiased Language Proposal, sent on behalf of Judge Charles D. Short, DMCJA President.

Thank you,

Tracy Dugas (she/her)

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