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VIA EMAIL

Honorable Charles W. Johnson
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Re: Comment in Support of GR 31 (e)(2)

Dear Associate Chief Justice Johnson,

The District and Municipal Court Judges' Association (DMCJA) respectfully submits this comment in support of a proposed amendment to GR 31(e)(2) that adds the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) as an entity not responsible for redactions in court documents.

GR 31(e)(2) – Adds AOC as an entity not responsible for redactions.

The responsibility for redacting these personal identifiers rests solely with counsel and the parties. The Court, ~~or~~ the Clerk, and the Administrative Office of the Courts will not review each pleading for compliance with this rule.

Sincerely,

Judge Rick Leo
DMCJA President

cc: Judge Catherine McDowall, DMCJA Rules Committee Co-Chair
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Greetings,

Please see the attached comment re: GR 31(e)(2), sent on behalf of Judge Leo, DMCJA President.

Thank you,

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