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I strongly agree with Stephanie Finn Guthrie's comment on this rule, sent on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, supporting the rule change to use of initials for SAU and child victims.

In a day and age where one's name on the internet cannot be sanitized, scrubbed or removed and the AI and internet trawling technology is ever increasing, the use of initials in official documents will protect victims from forever being defined by the crime they faced. Without it, they will forever face down interviews for jobs, meeting new people, or even getting a mortgage, with the knowledge that the person across the table read the most violent and damaging details of their lives. This only serves to revictimize people, and allows no victims no privacy in which to heal. Victims deserve better than this, and they deserve better than the current rule allowing WAP to continue to use full names in the alleged promotion of an open court.



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