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I am a public defender and I urge you to adopt the proposal regarding CrR 8.3. So frequently there is state misconduct in a way that negatively impacts my clients (egregious discovery violations, misconduct, failure to transport a defendant for competency restoration), yet there is no remedy because they can still have a "fair trial." The current CrR 8.3 does not adequately deter the government from their mismanagement or misconduct. The same violations that occurred 9 years ago when I started practicing continue to persist. Prosecutors are rarely held accountable for their misconduct. By amending CrR 8.3, it would give the state incentive to change their behavior.

Thank you,

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