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Honorable Glenn A. Grant
Acting Administrative Director of the Courts
Hughes Justice Complex
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Dear Judge Grant:

I understand there is a proposal to change New Jersey Court Rule 1:40-4(b) to require economic mediators to make an application to the Court by way of a Civil Complaint in the Special Civil Part if their fee is unpaid.

I have been a member of the Bar of the State in excess of 20 years, a Certified Matrimonial Law Attorney and a court qualified mediator.

I believe that such a proposal would irreparably damage the post-ESP mediation process and would result in many qualified and excellent mediators refusing to accept assignments.

As such, please accept this letter as my vehement objection to such a rule change.

Respectfully,

DAVID S. CARTON

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