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Dear Judge Grant:

Respecting the proposed amendment to R. 2:6-2(b), to require a table of citations (TOC) in letter-briefs, please consider the following comment:

The official comment to the proposed rule states that "most law firms have the capacity to insert a table of citations ...with... no extra effort." However, that is not true for many solo practitioners. Therefore, I would respectfully oppose the amendment, as it now reads.

On the other hand, I agree with the committee's desire to encourage inclusion of TOCs in letter-briefs. This could be accomplished by a rule making the TOC optional in letter briefs, and by further providing that TOC pages would not count towards the 20 page length limitation.

Thank you very much for considering this comment.

Respectfully,

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