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Judge Grant: I am writing in response to the Supreme Court's invitation to comment on proposed *Rule 2:11-1*, which concerns oral argument before the Appellate Division and the Supreme Court. The proposed *Rule*, which would require the filing of a motion to allow more than one attorney to argue a particular case, is unlikely to have significant impact on the way this office handles brief writing and oral argument assignments. However, I do recognize the legitimate concerns addressed by the ACLU, and the need to provide greater oral argument access not only to women and minorities but to less experienced attorneys in general. I would therefore oppose the rule change if it has even the slightest potential to make a bad situation worse.