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Comments on Proposal for Virtual Civil Jury Trials
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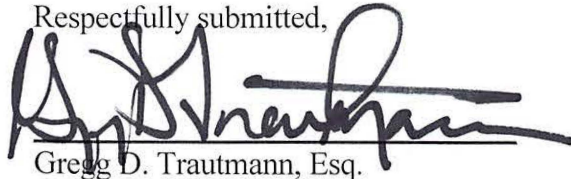
Dear Judge Grant,

I am writing to provide a comment on the proposal for Virtual Civil Jury Trials.

In short, it seems to me that virtual trials may be inappropriate for complex cases such as legal malpractice matters. I have been handling such matters from the plaintiff's side for over twenty five years. These cases are difficult to present especially considering the 'case within a case' concept. For example there can be more than the usual number expert witnesses because of the need to also prove the underlying matter which may itself be of a complex nature. A recent matter I tried required an engineering expert, a medical expert, an economist expert all along with the presentation of a legal malpractice expert. It is doubtful that attorneys on both sides will be able to effectively present their respective clients' cases in such complex and layered litigation.

Therefore I would respectfully suggest that cases deemed to be 'complex' such as legal malpractice matters be excluded from virtual jury trials.

Respectfully submitted,



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