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Honorable Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D.
Acting Administrative Director of the Courts
Comments on Proposed Amendments to Rule 3:6-6
Hughes Justice Complex, P.O. Box 037
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Re: Comments on Proposed Amendments to Rule 3:6-6

Dear Judge Grant:

The New Jersey State Bar Association (NJSBA) thanks the Court for the extending the time to review and comment on proposed amendments to Court Rule 3:6-6, which clarify who may be present during grand jury deliberations.

The NJSBA appreciates the intent of the proposal to bolster the sanctity of grand jury proceedings and wholeheartedly supports the proposal. By limiting the individuals who may be in the room while the grand jury is deliberating, the amendments will prevent undue influence, or the appearance of undue influence, on the grand jury and preserve the integrity of their deliberations. We also note that these proposed amendments follow the best practices already followed in many counties and by the Attorney General's office. For these reasons, the NJSBA urges the Court to adopt the proposal.

Thank you once again for allowing the NJSBA to participate in this important process.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Domenick Carmagnola".

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