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Dear Hon. Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D.:

I generally agree with recommendations that you have set forth with respect to the types of hearings that should be conducted remotely versus in-person. I would suggest some rules clarifying how participates should appear remotely. Specifically, there is a significant difference when a party appearing remotely:

- 1. Appears normally;
- 2. Calls in;
- 3. Has a poor internet connection; or
- 4. Is in the distant background of a video.

The ability to clearly see into a person's eyes and see their demeanor is important for credibility and to confirm if they understand. However, I think clear guidelines should assist with most of my concerns on the rare times I ever actually need to appear in court.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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