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Good morning

Why is the proposed Rule amendment limited to only "jailhouse" informants? Why isn't it applicable to "anyone", inside or outside a jail, "who lacks firsthand knowledge of a defendant's alleged criminal conduct but offers to testify for the State at a trial or hearing that the informant heard the defendant make inculpatory statements?" Should we just remove the "while detained or incarcerated in the same facility as the informant"?

I know that almost all of such witnesses are in the jail with the defendant. But what about a defendant who is out on bail and an acquaintance calls the prosecutor and says "hey, so and so just too me this and that, but I don't have firsthand knowledge of the criminal conduct?"

Just a thought.

Thanks for listening.

Regards,
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