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July 18, 2017

To: Interested Persons – See Attached List

Re: Rule Petition 16-09, In re the Matter of the Petition to Amend SCR 40.05

Greetings:

I am assisting the Wisconsin Supreme Court with its consideration of rule petition 16-09 filed November 25, 2016, by President Shannon Holsey, on behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. This petition proposes amending SCR 40.05 to allow any legal services with any federally recognized Indian tribe be "counted" for purposes of SCR 40.05(1)(b), provided the applicant shows proof of bar admission, in good standing, in the state in which the federally recognized tribe is located. A copy of this petition can be found on the court's website at *https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/supreme.htm*.

At the open rules conference on January 12, 2017, the court conducted a preliminary discussion of this matter and voted to obtain additional information from the petitioner and from the Board of Bar Examiners (BBE). Those responses were filed on March 10, 2017. The BBE filed an additional response on April 24, 2017. At the open rules conference on May 18, 2017, the court voted to schedule a public hearing on this petition for September 25, 2017. Please note, the court may take any action on a rule petition it deems appropriate, including any of the following:

- (a) Adopt the rule proposed, or a modified version, without further comment.
- (b) Reject the rule proposed without further comment.
- (c) Refer the rule petition to another entity for its review and recommendation.
- (d) Request further information or analysis from the petitioner or interested persons or entities.

Any comment to the rule petition should be filed by August 14, 2017, with the Clerk of Supreme Court, Attention: Deputy Clerk-Rules, P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688. If possible, email a Microsoft Word version of your response to *clerk@wicourts.gov*. <u>See</u> comment guidelines at the court's website at *https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/petitioncomment.htm*. The petitioner and the BBE may file any response to the comments by August 28, 2017.

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OFFICE OF COURT COMMISSIONERS 110 E. Main Street, Suite 440 Madison, Wisconsin 53703 If you are interested in appearing in person at the public hearing, please notify the Deputy Clerk for Rules by September 5, 2017, at *clerk@wicourts.gov* or 608-261-4302.

You might wish to consult the court's website at *https://www.wicourts.gov/scrules/supreme.htm* to follow this rule petition. Court communications on the petition and any written comments filed with the clerk's office will be posted on the website.

If you have specific questions or other comments regarding this matter, please contact me by mail at P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-1688, by telephone at 608-261-6642, or by email at *julie.rich@wicourts.gov*.

Very truly yours, /s/ Julie Anne Rich Supreme Court Commissioner

cc: Chief Justice Patience Drake Roggensack Justice Shirley S. Abrahamson Justice Ann Walsh Bradley Justice Annette Kingsland Ziegler Justice Michael J. Gableman Justice Rebecca Grassl Bradley Justice Daniel Kelly
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List of Interested Persons for Supreme Court Rules Matters

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Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association, Attention: Eugene White-Fish, President

Additional Interested Persons

Paul W. Stenzel, Attorney Michael S. Hines, Attorney Wisconsin State-Tribal Justice Forum, Attention: Neil A. Nielsen III, Chair