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To: Interested Persons - See Attached List

Re: Rule Petition 18-03, In re proposed amendment to Wisconsin Statute § 806.02

(Default Judgment)

Greetings:

I am assisting the Wisconsin Supreme Court with its consideration of rule petition 18-03 filed April 4, 2018, by Attorneys William C. Gleisner, Vice Chair of the Wisconsin Judicial Council, and Thomas L. Shriner, Chair of the Wisconsin Judicial Council's Evidence and Civil Procedure Committee. The petition proposes amending Wis. Stat. § 806.02 to provide parties filing counterclaims or cross claims with the right to seek default judgment when an opposing party fails to serve a timely reply to a counterclaim or answer to a cross claim. You have received this letter because you or your agency or organization has been identified as potentially having an interest in this matter. A copy of the petition can be found on the court's website at https://wicourts.gov/scrules/pending.htm.

At the closed rules conference on June 15, 2018, the court conducted a preliminary discussion of this matter and voted to obtain written comments and schedule a public hearing. The public hearing will be conducted on October 11, 2018. 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.
- (d) Refer the rule petition to another entity for its review and recommendation.
- (e) Request further information or analysis from the petitioner or interested persons or entities.

Any comment to the rule petition should be filed by August 31, 2018, 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*. *See* comment guidelines at the court's website at https://wicourts.gov/scrules/petitioncomment.htm. The petitioner may file any response to the comments by September 14, 2018.

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
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Justice Rebecca Grassl Bradley
Justice Daniel Kelly
Justice Rebecca Dallet
Attorney Thomas L. Shriner
Attorney William C. Gleisner, III

List of Interested Persons for Supreme Court Rules Matters

Badger State Sheriffs Association, Attention: Executive Director

Board of Bar Examiners

Chief Circuit Court Judges

Christian Gossett, Winnebago County District Attorney

Circuit Court Judges

Court of Appeals, Attention: Chief Staff Attorney

Court of Appeals Judges

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Court Operations, Peggy Hurley

Court Operations, Ann Olson

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Clerk of Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, Sheila T. Reiff

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Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, Attention: Katy Borowski, Executive Director

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Legal Action of Wisconsin, Attention: David Pifer, Executive Director

Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, Attention: Mike Gonring, Executive Director

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Western District Bar Association of Wisconsin, Attention: Ann Peacock

Wisconsin Asian Bar Association, Attention: Robin Dalton

Wisconsin Association for Justice, Attention: Bryan Roessler, Executive Director

Wisconsin Association of African American Lawyers, Attn: Jessica Butler

Wisconsin Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Attention: Peter McKeever

Wisconsin Association of Judicial Court Commissioners, Attention: Susan Schaubel

Wisconsin Bankers Association, Attention: Attorney John Knight

Wisconsin Bankers Association, Attention: Rose Oswalk Poels, CEO

Wisconsin Clerks of Circuit Court Association, Attention: Theresa Russell

Wisconsin Counties Association, Attention: Marcie Rainbolt

Wisconsin Defense Counsel, Attention: Jane Svinicki, Executive Director

Wisconsin District Attorneys Association, Attention: Greta Mattison, Executive Director

Wisconsin Family Court Commissioners Association, Attention: David Pruhs, Exec. Secretary

Wisconsin Hispanic Lawyers Association, Attention: Cynthia Herber

Wisconsin Judicare, Inc., Attention: Kimberly Haas, Executive Director

Wisconsin Judicial Commission, Attention: Jeremiah VanHecke

Wisconsin Judicial Council, Attention: Thomas W. Bertz

Wisconsin Juvenile Court Clerks Association, Attention: Jody J. Bartels

Wisconsin Municipal Judges Association, Attention: Honorable Robert Kupfer

Wisconsin Newspaper Association, Attention: Beth Bennett, Executive Director

Wisconsin Registers in Probate Association

Wisconsin Sheriffs & Deputy Sheriffs Association, Attention: David Graves, Exec. Director

Wisconsin State Attorneys Association, Attention: John Gelhard

Wisconsin Trial Judges Association, Attention: Honorable Mary M. Kuhnmuench

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