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Proposal 21-06 (P.R. 0299) Amends Supreme Court Rule 207 (Signing and Filing Depositions).

Transcripts are the work product of stenographers. The livelihood of the court reporter is dependent on transcription sales. This income allows stenographers not only to contribute to the economy of our society but also allows us to maintain our licensing, which Illinois requires. The proposition to provide our work product free of charge to an individual who reserves their right to review our transcript, only opens the door to plagiarism and further sharing of the file. Providing free transcripts devalues the work product of the stenographer therefore adversely impacting the stenographer's ability to earn income and contribute to the economy.

During the pandemic court reporters, as others, have pivoted and made great strides to accommodate remote witness proceedings. Personally, if a witness reserves their signature of a deposition transcript and their representing attorney does not request a transcript copy, I provide a Zoom link to the witness, where they may log in and read their transcript online, just as they had given their testimony.

Court reporter's ability to stay current with certification, update and maintain proprietary electronic equipment and software, and stay abreast of the ever-changing legal field, requires compensation of our valued work product, i.e, transcripts. If transcripts are devalued by providing them free of cost to anyone for any reason, the impact is far-reaching and devastating to stenographers across the United States.

For these reasons I am opposing Proposal 21-06 (P.R. 0299).

The Rules Committee seeks comments on a proposal to amend Rule 207 to require that a deponent be allowed to examine/review a transcribed deposition at no charge, and that the transcript be made available to a deponent in person or provided by mail or email at (i) the location where the deponent was located when the deposition was taken, (ii) the deponent's residence or business address, (iii) a location acceptable to the deponent in the county where the deposition was taken, or (iv) electronically, if the deponent is able to receive it in that manner. It further provides that the cost of providing the transcribed deposition should be the responsibility of the party seeking the deposition, and not the deponent.

Thank you,

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