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RE: Proposed Rules filed by Board of Court Reporting

Pursuant to TCA §4-5-202 I am requesting a Rule Making Hearing on the proposed rules that were filed with the Administrative Office of the Courts on February 1, 2010. I am writing on behalf of court reporters and those working in the industry of court reporting within the State of Tennessee, and we represent more than 25 individuals.

We are concerned that the effects of these rules will negatively impact the rights of individual court reporters in this state in how they conduct their business affairs and that some will be treated unfairly by this board if they are not members of certain professional groups. Additionally, we have concerns that these rules will drive up the cost of court reporting in this state, thereby creating an increase in the cost of litigation.

Respectfully submitted by,



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