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Historic Metro Courthouse Ste. 601
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Re: Proposed Rule 55

Dear Ms. Bryant,

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Clerk of the Appellate Courts

Rec'd By LMM

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My name is Joseph Ward McMurray and I am the President of the Kingsport Bar Association in Sullivan County, Tennessee. I received service of a Petition from your organization regarding a proposed Rule 55. After discussion with Judges, Clerk and Master, and the Bar Association, I would like to write to you to voice our support of this measure.

Currently in Sullivan County, the Clerk and Master requires each conservatorship to attend a training session. Additionally, much of the videos and information that are provided are either from your organization or based off your materials.

After a lengthy discussion, I feel the only difference between how we are currently operating and the new proposed Rule 55 would be in the timing of issuance of letters. As of now, we issue letters first. Then require the newly appointed conservators to attend this seminar within thirty (30) or sixty (60) days of receiving the same. As we read this proposed Rule, the conservators will have to complete this training seminar prior to receiving their letter. Ultimately, we do not feel that this slight change in procedure would cause any strain on our judicial system, its staff, or create any unnecessary hurdles for those seeking conservatorships. As such, please take this letter as the Kingsport Bar Association's documentation of support for the proposed Rule 55.

Yours very truly,

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Joseph W. McMurray

President, Kingsport Bar Association

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