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Peter G. McCabe, Secretary Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure Administrative Office of the United States Courts One Columbus Circle, N.E. Room 4-170 Washington, D.C. 20544

January 26, 2004 Hearing on Proposed Appellate Rule 32.1

Dear Secretary McCabe:

I ask to be permitted to testify at the hearing of the Advisory Committee on Appellate Rules in Washington, DC on January 26, 2004. I will testify respecting proposed Fed. R. App. P. 32.1, and will offer my testimony on behalf of the American College of Trial Lawyers. I believe that I will be joined by the President Elect of the College, James W. Morris, III, Esquire.

Thank you for your cordial consideration.

Sincerely,

William T. Hangley

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