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Via Overnight Mail

Peter G. McCabe, Secretary Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure Administrative Office of the United States Court Washington, D.C. 20544

Re:

Electronic Discovery

Dear Mr. McCabe:

I request an opportunity to testify before the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules at its February 11, 2005 public hearing in Washington, D.C., with respect to the proposed rules relating to electronic discovery.

I am the Vice-President of the Executive Board of the New York affiliate (NELA/NY) of the National Employment Lawyers Association (NELA). NELA is the country's only professional organization that is comprised exclusively of lawyers who represent individual employees in cases involving employment discrimination and other employment-related matters. I have been asked to testify on behalf of NELA, as well as NELA/NY. I will also be submitting written comments to the Advisory Committee.

Please let me know whether the hearing will be held at the John Marshall Federal Judicial Center or at some other location.

Sincerely,

Darnley D. Stewart

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