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Subject: Proposed Amendment to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56

Greetings,

I have read the opposition submitted by the Chief Judge John W. Sedwick concerning the proposed changes to Rule 56. While I lack Judge Sedwick's personal dual-district experience, his comments make a great deal of sense. Moreover, I do have personal experience with his keen intellect and powers of observation. I therefore join in his opposition to the changes. This may be one of those instances where making work does not equate to making better.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Proposed Rule 56(c)

I have previously submitted a letter in opposition to the proposed revision of Fed R Civ P 56(c). While I was chief judge of the Eastern District of Kentucky, the entire court considered a proposal to add similar language to our Joint Local Rules. Although there was some support for such a proposal, the majority of the judges voted against the proposal. I forgot to mention this in my earlier letter.