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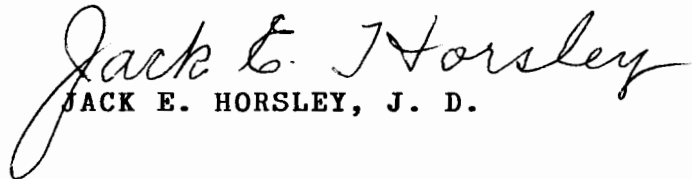
Dear Mr. McCabe:

Your letter of October 21st was thoughtful and kind and I thank you for it. It is an honor for me to be invited to participate in the excellent work of the Committee under your able handling as its Secretary.

Careful review of the August 2005 Preliminary Draft is a challenge because its contents are excellent as framed. However, I have some suggestions which it may be desired to consider. They are detailed in the enclosed summation.

Thank you for your courtesies and I extend best wishes to you and the members of your prestigious Committee.

Respectfully,


JACK E. HORSLEY, J. D.

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SUMMATION OF SUGGESTIONS ADDRESSING
THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT OF
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL
RULES OF PROCEDURE

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On page 12, it may be suggested to insert the following on line 6
after the word "destroyed:

" , verified under oath"

The same insert may be well taken if placed after the word
"by" on line 17.

Likewise, it may be the Committee would look with favor
on inserting the same statement on line 2, page 15
next after the word "writing".

On page 17, line 31, would it be well taken to specify
in line (5) what the word "timely" means? I suggest " * * * as
within ten days before the authorized time" next after the
word "filed". The "ten days" may be too short a time but
it comes to me it is possible "timely" may be too lacking
in specificity.

I look with favor upon pages 17 through 33 but it may be

you and the Committee might share my feeling that 100 days as stated in line 28 might be insufficient. I suggest perhaps 150 days would be a better time for the limitation of time expressed on line 28.

Passing to page 38, might it not be better to add paragraph (5) between lines 13 and 14 to state this addressing public employees: "The employee number if the person is a state or federal employee". It maybe the person involved would be such an employee and recording this should be something which would properly be within the ambit of the information required.

It may be the same information would be something to be inserted as (5) between lines 9 and 10 on page 45 if the Committee favors it as an insert between these lines. Moreover, the same material may be favorably looked upon as an insert between lines 13 and 14, page 150.

I read the substance of the current forms, pages 67 to 131. I look favorably upon these materials and have no suggestions for additional inclusions or modifications.

Furthermore, review of pages 132 through 141 evokes nothing about which I would have any recommendations but on page 142 something does occur to me. Is it not possible that "reasonable" at the close of line 48 may be inadequate to set the time intended? True, it gives a generous time aspect but might it not be better to be specific? If you and the Committee concur in my feeling perhaps this could be inserted immediately after "notice" on line 49", after deleting "reasonable" on line 48: "not less than 21 days prior to the prehearing and submission".

Passing to page 150, please refer to my suggestion about inserting (5) between lines 10 and 11 on page 45 and if the Committee and you favor the suggestion addressing page 45, the same suggestion is made with respect to an insert between lines 13 and 14 on page 150.

Careful study of all parts of this Preliminary Draft produces no other remarks except to speak favorably with respect to the Committee's superior work product.