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Comment:

I respectfully encourage the court to rule against the proposed ADM File No. 2202-03, Proposed Pronouns amendment to MCR 1.109 because it is an unconstitutional attempt to compel speech in violation of the Free Speech Clause of the First Amendment.

It also infringes upon Catholic judges' religious liberty rights under the Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment and the right to worship guaranteed by the Michigan Constitution.

The result of this proposed rule, if adopted would mean that faithful Catholics need not apply to be judges because it would require them to affirm an ideology that is contrary to their faith and as noted earlier, would violate their rights under the Free Speech Clause of First Amendment.

Finally, if this rule is adopted, the fallout will naturally extend to the rest of society compelling anyone who does not agree with the notion that human identity is subjective and malleable to acquiesce or suffer consequences.

Respectfully submitted,