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Honorable Anthony J. Scirica  
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Honorable Samuel A. Alito, Jr.  
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Re: Proposed Amendments to the Federal Rules of Practice  
and Procedure - FRAP 35

Dear Tony and Sam:

I share the same views regarding a proposed amendment to FRAP Rule 35 as those expressed by former Chief Judge Jay Wilkinson. The rule now in place in our court works best for our circuit and there does not appear to be any compelling reason for requiring uniformity among the circuits.

I appreciate your good work and thank you for allowing me to share my views.

Sincerely,

  
William W. Wilkins

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cc: Honorable J. Harvie Wilkinson, III, U.S. Circuit Judge (4CCA)  
Peter G. McCabe, Secretary, Rules Committee Support Office