



Chambers of
ROBERT E. JONES
United States District Judge

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I appreciate very much the hard work put into proposed amendments to the Federal Rules of Practice and Procedure.

There is one word in the federal rules that continues to trouble me and that is in the section on admissions by an agent. It provides that statements made by an agent or a *servant* and I doubt that we have many servants these days. I believe the word change should be "employee."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Jones". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

ROBERT E. JONES
U.S. District Judge