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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

No. 89-R-99038-SCT

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IN RE: MISSISSIPPI RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

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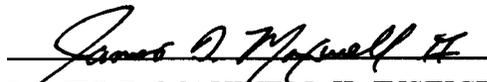
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This matter is before the Court, *en banc*, on the Motion to Amend MRCrP 7.2 and Comment Thereto filed by the MacArthur Justice Center at the University of Mississippi School of Law.

On April 10, 2025, the Court took this motion under advisement and decided to hold it in abeyance. Rather than directly ruling upon the motion, the Court approved having Chief Justice Michael K. Randolph send a letter to all circuit-court districts which requested that they “furnish to the Court, and post on your court website(s), the established ‘procedure’ within your district ‘for the appointment of counsel for each indigent defendant entitled thereto.’ MRCrP 7.2(a).” *See* Letter, *In re: Procedure for Appointing Counsel for Indigent Defendants*, No. 2025-M-00422-SCT (Apr. 16, 2025). All twenty-three (23) circuit-court districts have since documented such procedures to the Court. Accordingly, the Court finds that this motion should be denied.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Motion to Amend MRCrP 7.2 and Comment Thereto filed by the MacArthur Justice Center at the University of Mississippi School of Law is hereby denied.

SO ORDERED, this the 12th day of November, 2025.



JAMES D. MAXWELL II, JUSTICE

ALL JUSTICES AGREE.