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Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Court's proposal to adopt reciprocity rules in Montana. Our experience tells us that reciprocity would not advance the effective, efficient and fair administration of justice. In our experience, so-called "national" trial counsel have, more often than not, hindered the administration of justice. They are often more difficult to deal with during discovery and more likely to engage in gamesmanship. At least now, when national counsel appear, they need to appear pro hac vice and have local counsel.

Although I cannot speak for those who have transactional or business practices, for trial lawyers the adoption of this rule is likely to negatively affect the practice of law in Montana.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours very truly,

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