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IN RE RULE ON SUBSTITUTION OF)	REQUEST
DISTRICT JUDGES)	FOR DECISION
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Montana Judges Association (hereinafter MJA) filed a Petition for Revision of Judge Substitution Rule to Remedy Abuse on February 4, 2014.

Various entities suggested mediation/discussion.

On two occasions, Past President of the State Bar of Montana Randall A. Snyder organized, scheduled and facilitated discussions with representatives of the MJA, American Civil Liberties Union, Montana Legal Services Association, Montana Defense Trial Lawyers Association, Montana Trial Lawyers Association, Office of Public Defender, Montana Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys, Attorney General's Office and the Montana State Bar Association. All parties demonstrated sincere effort to accommodate concerns, resolve differences and reach a compromised resolution.

Despite those efforts and offers of further discussion, the MJA does not perceive any likelihood of success. For those reasons the MJA respectfully requests the Supreme Court to render its decision on the Petition for Revision of Judge Substitution Rule to Remedy Abuse.

Dated: December 5, 2014.



Judge Loren Tucker
Substitution Rule Committee Chairman

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 5th day of December, 2014, a true and accurate copy of the above Request for Decision was mailed to the following via US Mail, first class postage prepaid:

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