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THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES Presiding LEONIDAS RALPH MECHAM
Secretary

## MEMORANDUM TO THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE ASSOCIATE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT

By direction of the Judicial Conference of the United States, pursuant to the authority conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 331, I have the honor to transmit herewith for consideration of the Court proposed amendments to Rules 5, 9, 14, 16, 24, 26, 33, 34, 37, 45, 50, and 65.1; Form 35; and new Rule 5.1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and proposed amendments to Rules A, C, and E, and new Rule G of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions. The Judicial Conference recommends that these amendments and new rules be approved by the Court and transmitted to the Congress pursuant to law.

For your assistance in considering these proposals, I am transmitting excerpts from the Reports of the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure to the Judicial Conference and the Reports of the Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

Leonidas Ralph Mecham Secretary

Attachments