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Committee Secretary Supreme Court Rules Committee 222 N. LaSalle Street 13th Floor Chicago, IL. 60601

Re: Proposal 19-11 (P.R. 0276)

Proposal 20-04 (P.R. 0283)

Dear Committee Secretary:

On behalf of its more than 28,000 lawyer members, the Illinois State Bar Association ("ISBA") is pleased to provide its comments on the above referenced Proposals that will be the subject of the Committee's June 24, 2020 virtual public hearing.

## 1. **Proposal 19-11** (Rule 23)

As the Committee may recall, in 2016 a Special Committee on Supreme Court Rule 23 submitted research and a recommendation to the Court on amending Rule 23. That Special Committee was a joint effort of the ISBA, CBA, Appellate Lawyers Association, and the Executive Committee of the Illinois Judges Association. The ISBA continues to support the recommendations contained in that proposal. A copy of those recommendations is attached.

## **2. Proposal 20-04** (Rule 705)

The ISBA supports Proposal 20-04.

The ISBA appreciates the opportunity to provide its comments on the above proposals. If you require any additional information or have questions about the comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Charles J. Northrup

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