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Mr. Charles L. "Chip" Babcock
Chair, Supreme Court Advisory Committee
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Re: Referral of Rules Issues

Dear Chip:

The Supreme Court requests the Advisory Committee to study and make recommendations on the following matters.

Small Estate Affidavit Kit and Muniment of Title Kit. In response to SB 512, passed by the 84th Legislature, the Court established the Probate Forms Task Force to draft forms for use by individuals representing themselves in certain probate matters. On July 6, 2023, the Task Force submitted a report and a proposed kit of forms for (1) a small estate affidavit proceeding and (2) the probate of a will as a muniment of title. The report and kits are attached to this letter. The Committee should review and make recommendations.

Permissive Appeals. In the attached emails, Chief Justices Christopher and Worthen suggest changes to the procedures for permissive appeals. The Committee should review and draft any recommended amendments.

As always, the Court is grateful for the Committee's counsel and your leadership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nathan L. Hecht".

Nathan L. Hecht
Chief Justice

Attachments