

SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

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In the Matter of the Amendment of  
Supreme Court Rules: SCR 71.01(2)(d) --  
Required Reporting of Court  
Proceedings

ORDER  
No. 96-04

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The court, on its own motion, proposes to amend SCR 71.01(2) to include in the court activities or proceedings that are required to be reported opening statements and closing arguments in any action. The current rule, SCR 71.01(2)(d), requires the reporting of opening statements and closing arguments in any action only upon request of a party made on the record before the opening statement or closing argument has commenced or upon order of the court.

The court proposes that SCR 71.01(2)(d) be amended to read:

(d) Opening statements and closing arguments in any action ~~upon request of a party or upon order of the court. A request to report opening statement or closing argument shall be made on the record before either has commenced. Failure to request report is a waiver.~~

IT IS ORDERED that a public hearing on the court's proposal to amend SCR 71.01(2)(d) shall be held in the Supreme Court Room in the State Capitol, Madison, Wisconsin, on May 20, 1996, at 1:30 p.m.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the court's conference in the matter shall be held promptly following the public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice of the hearing be given by

a single publication of a copy of this order in the official state newspaper and in an official publication of the State Bar of Wisconsin not more than 60 days nor less than 30 days before the date of the hearing.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 28th day of February, 1996.

BY THE COURT:

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Marilyn L. Graves, Clerk