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Dear Andrew

Consultation on the Jury (Deferral of Jury Service) Amendment Rules 2010

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Jury (Deferral of Jury Service) Amendment Rules 2010. The Society's Criminal Law Committee has considered the Amendment Rules and has assisted me in the development of the following comments.

Rule 11 – New rule 24 substituted

Rule 24(3) states that rule 24 overrides rule 10. The Society considers that a Chief Executive may not literally override rule 10 (and hence the required form of summons in schedule 1). Presumably the intention is that the prescribed information must augment and supplement the information on the prescribed form. If that is so, it does not seem correct to say that rule 24 overrides rule 10.

The Society hopes that the above comments are of assistance to the Ministry of Justice. If you wish to discuss this submission further please contact me through the committee secretary, Rhyn Visser phone (04) 463 2962 or email rhyn.visser@lawsociety.org.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jonathan Temm'.

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