

WSR 24-01-048
RULES OF COURT
STATE SUPREME COURT
[December 7, 2023]

IN THE MATTER OF THE ) ORDER
SUGGESTED NEW GENERAL RULE ) NO. 25700-A-1556
3.2—MOTION BY AN )
INCARCERATED PERSON FOR NEW )
TRIAL OR RECONSIDERATION )

Mr. Robert Hill, having recommended the suggested new General Rule 3.2—Motion by an Incarcerated Person for New Trial or Reconsideration, and the Court having approved the suggested new General Rule for publication;

Now, therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED:

(a) That pursuant to the provisions of GR 9(g), the suggested new General Rule as shown below is to be published for comment in the Washington Reports, Washington Register, Washington State Bar Association and Administrative Office of the Court's websites in January 2024.

(b) The purpose statement as required by GR 9(e) is published solely for the information of the Bench, Bar and other interested parties.

(c) Comments are to be submitted to the Clerk of the Supreme Court by either U.S. Mail or Internet E-Mail by no later than April 30, 2024. Comments may be sent to the following addresses: P.O. Box 40929, Olympia, Washington 98504-0929, or supreme@courts.wa.gov.

Comments submitted by e-mail message must be limited to 1500 words.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this 7th day of December, 2023.

For the Court

Gonzalez, C.J.

CHIEF JUSTICE

SUGGESTED RULE

General Rule (GR) 3.2 (new)

"Motion for new trial or reconsideration by an incarcerated person"

Proponent: Mr. Robert Jesse Hill
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Purpose of Suggested Rule: This rule supports GR 3.1 by giving litigants temporarily incarcerated to effectively respond to final decisions of superior court. It can take up to five (5) calendar days to receive a filed order. The Dept. of Corrections can also require five business days to process a "photocopy" or "indigent postage" request (SEE: attachment DOC form #19-084) This leave no time for such litigant to perform substantial research and document preparation. I submitted a similar proposal last year. This is preferred choice over the CR 59 proposal.

Hearing: Yes  
Expedited: No

SUGGESTED RULE  
GR 3.2 (new)

[title] "Motion by an Incarcerated Person for New Trial  
or Reconsideration

"The 10 day requirement in CR59(b) for filing motions  
for new trial or reconsideration shall be 21 days if the  
movant is an incarcerated person."

**Reviser's note:** The typographical errors in the above material occurred in the copy filed by the  
state supreme court and appear in the Register pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.08.040.