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CHIEF JUDGE  
ANDREW D. OWENS, JR.

May 20, 1996

The Supreme Court of Florida  
Honorable Sid J. White, Clerk  
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Re: Amendment to Rule 2.050(c)

Dear Mr. White:

I strongly oppose the amendment of Rule 2.050(c), Florida Rules of Judicial Administration. The judges of our circuit have imposed term limits on Chief Judges but other circuits are better served by multiple-term Chief Judges. The position of Chief Judge is no longer merely ceremonial and every circuit, by majority vote, should elect the judge that best fulfills their needs.

Thank you for your attention and consideration of this matter.

Sincerely

ANDREW D. OWENS, JR.  
CHIEF JUDGE

ADO:sjs

cc: All Chief Judges