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Sir or Mdm.:

I am a lawyer who has been practicing law in Memphis, Tennessee since 1984. I am in court virtually every day, particularly in the Shelby County Circuit Courts, General Sessions Courts and Chancery Courts. I have just returned to my office having appeared in seven separate divisions today, arguing a variety of motions.

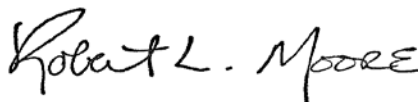
Shelby County courts are very busy, as you must know. Given the large population base here in Shelby County and the more recent expansion of attorney advertising, our civil litigation is booming. I am also sorry to acknowledge that our criminal courts are far, far too busy as well.

During my 35 years of practice, I have found that the court system. Shelby County works very, very well. The judges tend to work together very cooperatively, so that when one particular division is in trial, the other divisions that are available can assist.

I understand you are considering changes in our local judiciary. I would urge you not to do so. The current system works well, advancing cases as quickly as reasonably possible and with a minimum of undue expense.

Very truly yours,

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