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To the Symposium in Honor of Judge Mark R. Kravitz

Thank you for this opportunity to share my appreciation for the work of Judge Mark R. Kravitz. Mark was a superb trial judge whose influence reached far beyond his own courtroom's walls. Mark made tremendous contributions to the work of the Judicial Conference through his superlative leadership, first as Chair of the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules, and then as Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Mark brought wisdom, talent, and grace to all of his endeavors. Although his colleagues and friends continue to feel his absence, we are heartened by his continuing, positive effect on the administration of justice. Every judge directly benefits from the many improvements in judicial procedure that he conceived and implemented. It is fitting to honor him today through the exchange of ideas to improve the delivery of justice for all.

Sincerely,

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