

Comment from Government Member Philip J. Lindenmuth on *Nonlawyer Assistance and Representation*
October 23, 2024

Lines 6 and 7 on page 1 of the recommendation read as follows:

Representation in adjudicative proceedings, whether by lawyers or nonlawyers, **and assistance** are particularly valuable, even in seemingly straightforward adjudicatory proceedings,

It seems that the placement of “whether by lawyers or nonlawyers” is incorrect. I believe the sentence is meant to read:

Representation **and assistance** in adjudicative proceedings, whether by lawyers or nonlawyers, are particularly valuable, even in seemingly straightforward adjudicatory proceedings,

On line 11 of the same page, “a barrier” should be “barriers” to agree with “digital technologies.”

On p. 2, line 25, “due to the long distances” is awkward at best. I suggest filling out the thought by saying something like “due to long distances needed to visit in person or inability to consult electronically.” Or something like that.

On page 6, line 109, it says “adding additional, unnecessary burdens.” Doesn’t “adding” connote something is “additional”? I think saying “adding unnecessary burdens” should suffice.