GR 37: Historical Underpinnings and Recent Case Law

A Presentation by Lila Silverstein
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It has been seven years since the Washington Supreme Court adopted GR 37, Washington's landmark rule aimed at addressing the shortcomings of *Batson* and reducing racial bias in jury selection. This CLE will provide information on the history behind the rule, the plain language of its provisions, and the appellate court decisions interpreting it. Attendees will leave the CLE with a firmer grasp of how GR 37 works and how to use it to ensure fair trials for clients.

About the presenter:

Lila Silverstein has served as an appellate public defender with the Washington Appellate Project since 2006. Lila wrote significant sections of Washington's General Rule 37, which protects against racial bias in jury selection, and she has served as a consultant for advocates and judges in other states seeking to emulate Washington's rule.

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