

## Timothy Gudas

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**From:** Justice Patrick E. Donovan  
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**To:** Timothy Gudas  
**Subject:** FW: Proposal for a Rule Change

Just an FYI for our next rules meeting. PED

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**From:** Hon. William Delker  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 5:18 PM  
**To:** Justice Patrick E. Donovan  
**Subject:** Proposal for a Rule Change

I have a relatively simple rule change proposal. N.H. R. Crim. P. 15(b)(3) currently require all motions in limine be filed 5 days before the final pretrial conference. It would be better if the rule required MILs to be filed 15 days before the FPC. That way both sides would have the 10 days to respond to motions and 3 days to file a reply and the Court could address the merits of MILs at the FPC. The five days before FPC does not give the other side time to respond to MILs so you don't know whether there are any substantive issues that need to be addressed between FPC and jury selection.

Judges Messer and Nicolosi both recommended this change and it is consistent with what I do on every dispositional conference order.

I've lost track of who are secretary is now. Can we include this as an agenda item for the next meeting?

Will Delker  
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