Letters to the Editor

NY Bench Shortage Impacts Rule of Law

Justice Acosta was absolutely right to take the measures he has now had to take as a result of the shortage of judges. But, the courts should not have to be faced with this dilemma. Justice Acosta presides over an Appellate Court that has countless

important issues every week, and it is only fair to people that the court have adequate staff and time to decide cases. I wrote an article recently in this Law Journal about various ideas as to how courts should evolve in their decision making process, including the use of technology to help come to better decisions and do so more efficiently. Various other disciplines, such as

medicine, have examined and advanced their decision making process. To do nothing to help courts be able to decide cases as quickly and thoughtfully as possible, is simply not good for our society. As we have heard much lately, the rule of law is crucial. And our courts are crucial for that endeavor.

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