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From: Christopher Fast [cfast@rlmalaw.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2008 1:43 PM
To: Faulk, Camilla
Cc: Ken Curry
Subject: GR 23 (c) (1) (i) -- CPG Board membership

Dear Ms. Faulk:

I submit the following comment regarding changes proposed by the Certified Professional Guardian Board (CPGB) to the Supreme Court for approval to GR 23(d)(1)(i):

The proposed GR 23(d)(1)(i) as proposed by the CPGB is completely unacceptable to me as a CPG.

The current CPGB is made up of only 1/6 (3 out of 18 members) actual CPGs. I can think of no other profession that would allow itself to be regulated by outsiders. The professional licensing or certifying organizations for all other professions (dentists, lawyers, engineers, teachers, etc.) are made up of the practitioners in that profession. I can not imagine that medical doctors in Washington would tolerate having "community advocates" or lawyers or nurses sitting on their disciplinary hearing or having lay people drafting their professional standards of practice.

While I believe there is a place for a minority of judicial officers and lawyers on the CPGB, I strongly believe the CPGB should consist of no less than 2/3 of the people being regulated by the CPGB, that is, CPGs themselves.

The message that the CPGB is sending to CPGs with proposed GR 23(d)(1)(i) is that we are too immature to regulate ourselves and it is an insult to all CPGs.

Thank you for your consideration of my views. Do not hesitate to contact me, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Subject: GR 23 (c) (1) (ii) term limits of Board members

Dear Ms. Faulk:

I submit the following comment regarding changes proposed by the Certified Professional Guardian Board (CPGB) to the Supreme Court for approval to GR 23(d)(1)(ii):

The proposed GR 23(d)(1)(ii) as proposed by the CPGB should be amended to shorten the term limits of CPGB members to no more than two three-year terms. I believe it is not in the best interests of the CPGB or CPGs in general for board members to be on the CPGB for more than six years. Nine years is too long.

Thank you for your consideration of my views. Do not hesitate to contact me, if you have any questions.

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From: Christopher Fast [cfast@rimalaw.com]
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Subject: GR 23 (d) (1) (iv) Individual Certification requirements -- education

Dear Ms. Faulk:

I submit the following comment regarding changes proposed by the Certified Professional Guardian Board (CPGB) to the Supreme Court for approval to GR 23(d)(1)(iv):

The proposed GR 23(d)(1)(iv) would increase educational requirements for new CPGs. I favor increased educational requirements for professional guardians in principal. I believe that requiring a minimum of a bachelor's degree going forward is a positive step towards improving professionalism in our industry.

HOWEVER, I am not comfortable with the fact that this rule is being promulgated by a CPGB, which is made up of only 1/6 (3 out of 18 members) actual CPGs. Therefore, I suggest that this rule change be shelved until the issue of the imbalance of CPGB membership is resolved. I believe the CPGB should consist of no less than 2/3 of the people being regulated by the CPGB, that is, CPGs themselves.

Thank you for your consideration of my views. Do not hesitate to contact me, if you have any questions.

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