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I am writing to comment on the proposed changes to RPC 1.5.

I note that the proposed changes allow a lawyer to put a flat fee in the lawyer's operating account before the lawyer has performed any work to earn it. Yet the flat fee is NOT earned on receipt and it IS refundable. Because the money is not put in trust, there is no guarantee that it will be there, if and when a client requests a refund. I believe the money should be kept in trust until the lawyer has earned it. I certainly understand the cash flow challenges many lawyers face, but protecting the clients is more important.

Sincerely,
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