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Subject: Re: WSBA Forwarding Information on Proposed Legal Technician Rule Comment Period

It seems to me that a simpler and cheaper way to handle the overriding problem that is trying to be solved here is to simply reduce or eliminate attorney liability for helping individuals in Pro Se cases. We have many attorneys who are struggling as is, especially in Family Law. We don't need more competition for a market that is already quite full. Many attorneys avoid Pro Se cases because more things can go wrong, but their liability is no smaller.

Allow attorneys to have a computer or two set up for Pro Se clients to use automated software to draft documents, let the lawyer look over the documents for completeness, charging the client less for these services than for regular services. Everyone wins. Clients get the assistance they need and lawyers get the clients they need. In addition, if the case becomes more complicated down the road and the client requires an attorney, then they don't have to go find another attorney.

On Tue, Dec 16, 2008 at 4:11 PM, <email@wsba.org> wrote:
WSBA Forwarding Information on Proposed Legal Technician Rule Comment Period

In our continuing effort to keep members informed about matters impacting the practice of law, the Washington State Supreme Court is now requesting comment on a proposed rule creating Legal Technicians. The proposed rule would allow non-lawyers, or Legal Technicians, to provide limited legal or law-related services to clients.

The Washington State Practice of Board has recommended limiting Legal Technician services to areas within Family Law.

The Court is taking public comment until April 30, 2009.

Members may submit comments by mail or e-mail to:

Clerk of the Supreme Court
P.O. Box 40929
Olympia, WA 98504-0929
Camilla.Faulk@courts.wa.gov

(Note: e-mail comments must be limited to 1,500 words)

For more information, please visit www.wsba.org/legaltechnicianrule.pdf.

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