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Dear Chief Justice

I am a concerned person and a paralegal for the past 22 years of independent practice, I have read many comments and find them to be of somewhat selfish by the attorney's that cannot keep up with the demands of today's needs for family law as well as other areas. I realize that we are trying to enter into an area where education seems to be a factor to the attorneys, but we are not acting or representing our selves as attorney's either, if we where we would have the education and would have passed the bar like them, the demands that will be put on all legal technician's will be much greater than that of an attorney as we will be watched for every little thing that we do wrong and I am sure that the attorney's will be the most complaining parties. I personally have been doing Administrative and Family Law as they go hand and hand, I favor the legal technician and would like to see it passed, I also would like to see some of the older class of Paralegals grandfathered in because some of the schools have went out of business like the one I attended but I do have my diploma that is accredited. I believe that we can be most cost effective for the public and low income, when I started my paralegal business I told myself that non of my clients would go without whether they could pay or not and I did about 50% pro bono work for clients and still do this day, an attorney will not even help you fill out a form unles he or she charges you. I have worked with a lot of Attorney's and for the most part I found some to be fair and some to be greedy and the ones that are greedy are behind in work and taking on more clients have compaints filed against them. Now I ask, How many complaints are filed against attorneys every year vs. how many complaints are filed against paralegals each year ?? I think you will be shocked by the numbers.

I am in favor of the legal technician program

Respectfully Sumbmitted
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