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From: Nick Barrett [nbrooksbarrett@yahoo.com]
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To: Faulk, Camilla
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Dear Madam Clerk,

I wanted to make a quick comment in opposition to the creation of "Legal Technicians." I am a lawyer and member of the WSBA. I believe it still means something to go to law school and pass the bar. It means I have the training and knowledge to provide the level of representation people should expect out of a legal professional. Although I understand that "Legal Technicians" would have limited roles, I foresee their roles expanding as certain interests attempt to "reduce the costs" of legal services or, in other words, to cheapen the practice of law. Please count mine as yet another voice in opposition to this proposal.

Thanks very sincerely,

Nick Barrett