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Justices,

I am writing to ask that you do not further expand any LLLT rights to represent parties. I have been a Family Law practitioner since admitted to the WSBA in December 1993. I was a member of the FLEC of the WSBA when the LLLT program was being championed by Ms. Littlewood and Mr. Crossland. I resigned from the FLEC, in part, over the manner that program was being pursued and implemented, over the crystal clear and virtually unanimous voice of the attorneys in Washington. In fact, the only attorneys that supported were in support because the program was being touted as "Access to Justice" for low income parties. Further, it was to be "an experiment" and only expanded after data supported such an expansion. As you will recall, before the program was even implemented the income limit was removed and virtually immediately the program was expanded and it continuing to be expanded despite NO DATA supporting an expansion.

I believe it is clear that the Justices only supported the program because they were not made aware of the vast amount of negative input all across the State during Paula and Steve's "Town Hall style meetings". In fact, I believe a major reason for the WSBA Membership's current anti-WSBA (see the recent "reform" movement to take the BOG back over, etc.) is the unethical and egregious manner in which the WSBA has created the LLLT program, the "dues rollback Petition" that received the requisite number of signatures to put it to the membership for a vote, but that being refused by the Supreme Court's Order after Ex Parte input from Paula making the referendum "moot", and the recent Bylaw Amendment debacle.

Before considering expanding the LLLT program, I urge you each to contact some (attorney) members of the Bar and hear their feelings and opinions and NOT take what the ED of the WSBA tells you at face value.

Respectfully, Cameron J. Fleury WSBA 23422