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To the members of the Washington Supreme Court:

I was just informed that my previous comment on this issue might not receive attention as it may not have been received during the official comment period. In an abundance of caution, and because I want my opinion in this matter to count, I am re-sending my previous comment.

Regarding the recent proposal to extend the practices of LLLT's to negotiating procedural matters, I wish to strenuously object to ANY addition to the substantive legal work LLLT's may perform.

LLLT's are not attorneys. They do not have a legal education. They do not have licenses to practice law. Their ostensible reason for existing was to provide scrivener-like services to modest-means clients. When it was presented in that way, I was a fan of the idea.

No more, for I now wish that the problematic LLLT program had never been authorized. The LLLT license has mushroomed into something very different from how it was originally presented to us, and I foresee substantial potential for harm to clients and my profession. Allowing "negotiation of procedural issues" creeps uncomfortably close to practicing law without a license. I urge the Court not to approve this change to the license.

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