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Hello,

On behalf of the Washington State Access to Justice Board's Pro Bono Council, we'd like to formally defer our proposal for a rule change to RPC 6.5. This began as a request for published comment, but it was ultimately recommended that we request a change to the rule. Our original comment as submitted is attached for reference.

The primary contact for the proponent at the time of initial submission was Catherine Brown, Pro Bono Council manager. She has since taken a position elsewhere, and myself and Eloise Barshes, as co-chairs of the Council, are now representative of the original proponent.

While the Council continues to support the proposed rule change and believes it is crucial to ensuring the continued safety of clients served by pro bono programs, given the current health crisis, it is in everyone's best interest if we defer our proposal.

We will be submitting a proposal in the fall based on feedback from the WSBA CPE, and thank everyone involved for the time and care that's been taken in providing guidance and reviewing our comment.

Best,

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