

Faulk, Camilla

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From: Jeannie Gorman  
Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2007 7:08 PM  
To: Faulk, Camilla  
Subject: Comment to Proposed RPC 1.15A(e)

Ms. Faulk,

I am a practicing lawyer in Washington state (23578) in good standing. I work for a federal government agency so my practice does not involve private clients or private client funds. I am aware of the proposed change to RPC 1.15A(e) and feel strongly that the proposed amendment be rejected.

I am aware of Mr. Barrie Althoff's comprehensive comments and agree with him wholeheartedly. I do not believe it is overly burdensome for any attorney to regularly provide an accounting of client property. Doing so assures that disputes are resolved more quickly. In the event a client believes an attorney is holding certain property and the annual accounting does not reflect such a holding, the client and attorney can figure it out quickly. As with wills or other estate documents, such a misunderstanding would only be discovered years later or perhaps when it is too late. The proposed rule change would promote such misunderstandings and should be rejected.

I respectfully request that the proposed change be rejected and the original term "property" be retained in The Rule of Professional Conduct.

Thank you for your consideration. I trust my comment will be forwarded to the appropriate individual or committee.

Sincerely,

Jeannie Gorman