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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to offer comments on the proposed amendments to APR 28, the admission to practice rule that creates the LLLT in Washington State.

Sitting here at my desk pondering how I can possibly articulate my story to give the court an idea of what it would mean for me and the countless citizens of the state who have had disastrous life altering experience(s) in the WA family court system is daunting. It is also virtually impossible to do so in a way that could possibly give any oratorical or textual meaning, limited in number, to sway the opinion of the court.

I and many others (citizens of the state) believe the courts hand was forced to rescinded their original November 2018 decision under extreme scrutiny and pressures from their peers and a powerful association, the American Bar Association, which the court are standing members.

I am a father who has been through the WA family courts and after the 2008 "crash" was forced to pro se for himself. Prior to 2008 in my case the mother of my children used every advantage in the legal system the state provides. If you think about it, the rules and laws of the court are made of legislators who are

members of the ABA and in mine and many others opinion have created a monopoly.

A monopoly that many have agreed is the sole reason of the rescission just days after the November 2018 change in APR 28 allowing LLLT's the abilities to provide more affordable representation and legal options.

Since 2010 I have had to represent myself in the family courts as a pro se to fight for my rights to be relevant in my children(s) life. My experiences have given me knowledge that %99.999 of individuals in many cases, are forced to represent themselves are not privy.

A few of the things I have learned is, a) 70% of family law attorneys are inept in the area of family law, and I am being very generous on the numbers.

Furthermore, these inept lawyers charge large amounts of monies for representation even though they themselves do not have the experience and or knowledge any normal legal professional should have in other parts/area of law.

Also, I have learned through the process anyone with a knack for the law, persistence, courage, and a willingness to learn can easily represent themselves in a family law courtroom without an attorney.

And finally, favorable outcomes can be reached without "winning" in the courtroom. Law schools across the world teach law students to "think outside the box." Strategy is just as an important ingredient as much as all the other skillset's combined. Is winning an argument more important as an outcome getting their client favorable results?

Moreover, "godlike" discretionary powers allow the courts to bypass state, county, and local laws as well as statutes. That has led to, in my opinion, the

family courts to be nothing more than a hybrid administrative authority rather than a court of laws and conclusion.

If the court would reconsider, and reverse its decision to rescind the ruling on APR 28 it would open the doors for professionals who can assist pro se's to effectively represent themselves in the courts, while also eliminating the majority of issues the court has when dealing with pro se's. It is the right thing to do for the citizens of this state and the morale thing to do as a parent, child, sibling, and human being.

It is time the court does right by us the <u>CITIZEN"S</u> of Washington State and NOT fall prey to <u>political pressures</u> and or the <u>ABA</u> affectionally known as the "good ol' boys club." <u>It's time the court's act for the best interest of the children and **both** <u>parents</u>. And <u>NOT</u> special interests groups vying for a <u>piece</u> of the 50+ billion a year pie.</u>

Sincerely,

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