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Justices of the Supreme Court
State of Washington
P. O. Box 40929
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Via Email: supreme@courts.wa.gov

Dear Justices of the Supreme Court:

I understand you are seeking input from lawyers regarding Mandatory Malpractice Insurance. As a duly licensed attorney in good standing in the State of Washington, I am responding to provide my position on this matter.

I have been practicing since 1984 and a sole practitioner since 1996. My practice is primarily representing non-profit organizations.

Many attorneys, including me and my colleagues who are solo and small firm lawyers, cannot afford commercial malpractice insurance. This year in particular, the Pandemic, protest/riots in Seattle, and other factors over which we have little control, have made it difficult to continue to serve our clients. The majority of us are facing financial difficulties.

With respect, I urge you to not mandate attorney malpractice insurance.

Thank you for this opportunity to voice my position on this matter.

Sincerely,



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Honorable Justices of the Washington State Supreme Court:

Please see attached letter regarding mandatory malpractice insurance. Thank you for allowing me to provide you my position on this matter.

Sincerely,

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