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Hello Washington Supreme Court Justices,

As a lawyer (retired) and resident and voter in Washington state, I request that you reconsider your decision to sunset the Limited Legal License Technician program. Washington was hailed as an innovator when this program was started. Our state rightly was exploring ways to provide legal services to more people, and especially to people who could not access or pay for a lawyer.

Now, with mounting evidence of, and increasing public discussion about, the ways that the legal system harms many communities and groups within our state and populace, it's hard to understand how the court would think it a good time to back off a program to make legal services more widely available. Is that the focus and change for which you want to be remembered? For those who criticize the cost, is that the determining factor for you? Justice for those able to pay, and not for the rest?

No doubt the program needs additional work and adjustments. So please, buckle down with community groups and others and get moving to make needed changes. But don't terminate the LLLT program. What would that accomplish to help Washingtonians access legal services?

Thank you,
Martha Lester, Seattle