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I'm writing to ask you to reconsider the LLLT program.

In the words of former Chief Justice Barbara Madsen, who was instrumental in creating the program, "The elimination of the LLLT license, which was created to address access to justice across income and race, is a step backward in this critical work. It is not the time for closing the doors to justice but, instead, for opening them wider."

The courts have long been a place of racial and economic inequity. We need a lower cost and competent alternative to full-on lawyers.

Please support and expand this program.

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Mask Up! Help us get out of this mess!