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Attached please find support letters from members of the public, urging the Court to undo their ill-conceived sunseting of the Limited License Legal Technician license.

These letters are representative of every single client I have helped in my own practice, who otherwise would not have access to resolve their legal problem, and, as by now you have surely heard, a vast swath of other Washingtonians.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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VIA E-MAIL

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March 25, 2021

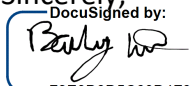
My name is Bailey Williams. I hired Legal Technician Priscilla Selden in Entiat to help me file a parenting plan case for my infant son in late 2020. After she filed the case, I also hired her to get orders entered, so that there would be a parenting plan in place. My baby's father was coming to visit from out of state, and I wanted protections so there was no question regarding custody of our son. I also needed child support. Priscilla filed and served all the papers on time, and got them properly processed through the Court. She stayed in communication and followed-up every step of the way.

After filing a Motion for Temporary Orders, Priscilla was able to talk to my baby's father and negotiate a settlement with him, and got the temporary orders turned into final orders, resolving the case quickly, and affordably.

I don't know what the legal help would have cost with a lawyer, but Priscilla did all the work at an affordable price. This was all during COVID, and she worked with me and stayed on top of the case, despite the challenges. I knew she cared about me and my child, and she also avoided escalating conflict with my child's father. Priscilla explained everything to me without over-complicating things, and also took care of getting all the papers written, filed with the Court, served on the father, and final orders entered. Priscilla gave me advice about things to ask for in my case, creative ideas for video visits and other issues in the parenting plan, and followed up on the legal requirements for the child support order.

I was very relieved to have competent, kind, thorough, knowledgeable legal assistance in my case. I think people in the future in Washington state should have access to the same help that I did – resolving my case with the minimum of stress, and being able to provide and be there for my son – as well as preserving my son's relationship with his father.

I urge the Court to reconsider its decision to sunset the Legal Technician license, and listen to the experience of others like me, who have benefitted from the services of a Limited License Legal Technician.

Sincerely,
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April 1, 2021

My name is Gerry Navarrete.

I hired Legal Technician Priscilla Selden in Entiat, WA to help me file a Dissolution of Marriage in March 2020. My wife and I were in agreement. We have four children together, so I needed a parenting plan and child support orders, as well as the divorce orders.

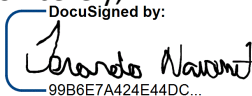
2020 was a hectic year with COVID, keeping our children going, and trying to get this divorce done. It took longer than ideal, due to these reasons, and there were updates from time to time.

Our divorce was just finalized and went through without a hitch. Priscilla made sure I knew of and was up to date with every requirement of the court – current pay stubs, parenting classes, and was prepared with the proper documents at the final agreed divorce hearing. She told me what I had to do and take to court to get all my final orders signed.

I never had any problems with documents being filed or completed on time. Priscilla hung in there with me through the distractions of a year with an ongoing pandemic. She always followed up with me and responded promptly when I contacted her, and, as I say, our final orders were signed no problem. Priscilla also cost less than the usual attorney fees. She charged me a flat fee so I knew exactly what her help would cost, with no big surprises or bill at the end.

It was helpful to have this option for legal help in my divorce case. I hope the decision will be made to continue this program, so all Washingtonians can have the same help I did – competent, affordable, and professional.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
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April 1, 2021

My name is Kern Bender.

I was referred to Legal Technician Priscilla Selden in Entiat, WA by a bankruptcy attorney in Wenatchee in 2018, to help me file a divorce. Priscilla spent hours on my case, most without charging me a fee. She helped me through my wife's Motion for Temporary Orders, but unfortunately this was before the rule that now allows her to assist clients at motion hearings, so, I had to do it myself, with Priscilla only sitting back in the courtroom. I think things might have gone better, if Priscilla had been able to sit up front with me and help me through the hearing. We were both frustrated about this.

Priscilla did send Interrogatories to my wife, which helped me learn about various items of property my wife had and her income sources. Priscilla even had to push the issue, when my wife's attorney wouldn't respond at first.

Priscilla finally was able to get agreement from my wife through her attorney to have our divorce trial set by Zoom; during COVID all civil trials are still on hold in this county, unless the parties can agree to have the trial by Zoom. Having a trial date helped set an end date for my divorce.

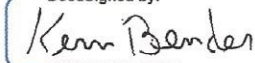
My case was finally resolved by the attorney who referred me to Priscilla, because of some complex issues. Nevertheless, I really appreciated Priscilla's help – we have become friends. She was always responsive, professional, and empathetic.

I sure hope and think that in the future other citizens of Washington and around the country should have available help like Priscilla. A Legal Technician can provide a lot of the basic help clients need, with an attorney stepping in for those things the Technician can't do. Priscilla was able to help with a lot of what I needed in my case, and with good communication and an attorney willing to step in as needed, it just worked out well for me and should be there for others. It seems very unfair that this option would be taken away from people.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Kern Bender.